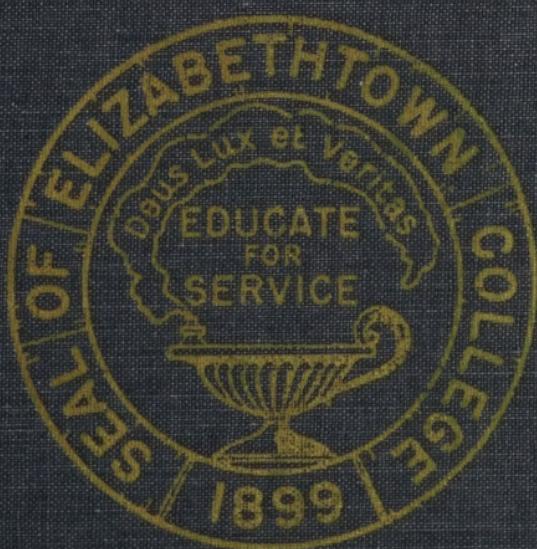


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# Foreword

WHEN A COLLEGE is ready to have its history written, it has come of age. As it approaches the 75th anniversary of its founding, Elizabethtown College is ready to be so recognized. It has behind it a history of growth and achievement which can now be recorded with pride and dignity.

In the length and breadth of his service no one is better qualified to recall the past of Elizabethtown College than Dr. Ralph W. Schlosser. He has been a student, a teacher, and an administrator in this institution, indeed has given the whole of his life to it. He has been associated with the College virtually since the beginning and has known all who have been associated with it in any official and professional capacity across the subsequent years. Moreover, he has represented the College in a variety of associations and positions beyond the Campus: in the Church of the Brethren, once as its Moderator; in Rotary International, once as a District Governor; and in many places as a distinguished preacher and teacher.

This history will be read with interest and appreciation. It is an appropriate beginning to the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Elizabethtown College.

The Women's Auxiliary has provided financial support for this undertaking. To them, therefore, is due also a large measure of appreciation and gratitude.

MORLEY J. MAYS



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# Introduction

THE FIRST ATTEMPT at writing a history of Elizabethtown College was authorized by the Board of Trustees in 1937. This history was largely a compilation of items from the diary and personal recollections of G. N. Falkenstein, who was virtually Principal of the new organization for the first two years of its existence. The work was entitled *The Organization and the Early History of Elizabethtown College*.

Several faculty members and the historians of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania dealt with the organization of the College; these productions are largely based upon the data in the work of G. N. Falkenstein, who served as the Secretary of the preliminary public meetings and of the sessions of the Locating Committee, as well as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the College from its beginning to March 13, 1903.

In writing this history of Elizabethtown College, the earlier labors of G. N. Falkenstein can not be overestimated. For some years I feared the College might lose the account of its early years, and consequently, as President of the College, I urged him to give the College the benefit of the notations in his diary relative to the organization of Elizabethtown College. On January 1, 1937, I placed the matter before the Board of Trustees and they authorized him to write the early history of the College. On July 7, 1937, he reported to me

that he was writing *The Beginnings*. The early history of Elizabethtown College that he wrote is recorded in a mimeographed type-written copy of one hundred pages entitled *The Organization and the Early History of Elizabethtown College*. It covers the preliminary meetings begun in 1898 and ends with the opening of the College in November, 1900.

In the *Preface* to this *Early History of Elizabethtown College* the author states:

In the first place it must be understood that the basis of this history is "the written records" made by me at the time when these things were enacted that are now history. No memory is good enough to write history thirty-nine years after happening, unless it is some comment by way of explanation on "the written records," which are especially of two kinds: the entries in my personal private diaries, and more extended notes for special dates and special occasions which required more than ordinary space. Often of special interest are the diary entries which indicate the execution of plans and decisions by the Board of Trustees. . . . I have decided to make this a "Volume of Source Material" into which the future historian may look and select such things as his plans and the occasion may require.

In May of the academic year 1968-69 President Morley J. Mays, feeling that a complete definitive history of the College from its beginning to the present should be written, asked me, who was a student at the College in the fourth year of its existence, an alumnus of the college course in 1911, a member of the Faculty for more than sixty years, and a Dean and President of the College, to undertake the writing of this history. On July 21, 1969, President Mays proposed to the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College the writing of the history of the College. After due consideration, the Board of Trustees authorized the President to plan a celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the College and to arrange for the writing of the history of the College. The action of the Board on July 21, 1969, stated:

President Mays was authorized to make plans for the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the College, which would include the preparation of a history of the College.

After pondering the request of President Mays, I consented to devote part time to this project, because of my continuous connection

with the College during most of the years of its existence, and began the writing September 1, 1969.

The task of a college historian is to review events in the life of an institution, make a selection of significant events, and interpret them so as to reveal the real life and spirit of a college. To one who has witnessed the activities of Elizabethtown College since 1905 and participated in them, the problem of writing objectively presents itself. For how can a person share in the program of a college without inculcating a gleam of his personal approval or disapproval of issues that arise? Any one seeing the life of a college from the outside would likely make quite a different choice of details. I shall, however, aim to make this history an expression of the life of Elizabethtown College as seen in the activities of the students and the Faculty.

The Founders of the College were dedicated to a dream. To reveal this dream in its unfolding and to set forth the ideals upon which the College was founded shall be my purpose in this history. As an alumnus of the College, I have faith that the flame that was lit in 1899 will shine more brightly as the years pass. I shall aim in this research to trace the growth of the youngest College of the Church of the Brethren from its incipiency in the minds of her Founders to the end of the seventh decade of the twentieth century.

I desire to express my indebtedness to the painstaking work contained in *The Organization and Early History of Elizabethtown College* by G. N. Falkenstein. Without the facts compiled from his diary and other personal notes in this history, the specific data relative to the early years of the College as found in Chapters two and three of this *History of Elizabethtown College* would have been sparse indeed. I also desire to express my appreciation to the Board of Administration of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren for permission to quote short excerpts from *The History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*. I also acknowledge my indebtedness to the late Ephraim G. Meyer, Director of the Brethren Historical Library, and to Mrs. Edward Christopher, Readers' Services, for making available to me from time to time the Minutes of the Board of Trustees, the Minutes of the Faculty, the College publications, and other materials in the Brethren Heritage Room; to Anna M. Carper, Director of the College Library for providing a most suitable place in the Brethren

Heritage Room for the writing of this history; to President Morley J. Mays for his helpful suggestions and encouragement throughout the period of writing this history; to alumni and friends of the College who have constantly urged me on in this project; to the Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College who have underwritten the cost of printing this *History of the College*; and to Mrs. Jon A. Singer, who typed the manuscript.

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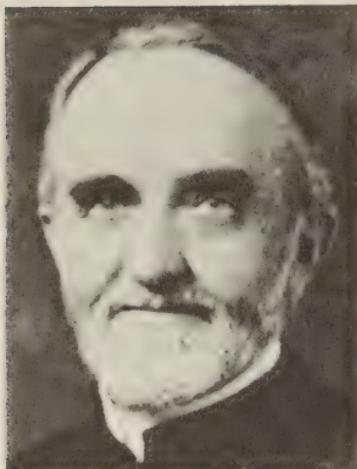
## CHAPTER ONE

# Three Preliminary Public Meetings | 1898-1899

### Introduction

AT THE END of the nineteenth century, some men of courage and vision in the Church of the Brethren in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania were convinced of the need for a school of higher education, beyond that of the public schools, in the southeastern part of Pennsylvania. These pioneers in this field were led to this conviction because an increasing number of children in Brethren homes were attending various schools preparing young people for the teaching profession but not under the influence of the ideals of the Church of the Brethren. Hence there was a growing concern that a school should be organized in which these children from Brethren homes, as well as others desiring training under the influence of a conservative school, could receive an education preparing them especially for teaching in the schools of our Commonwealth. It was also felt that the youth of the Church of the Brethren, by attending existing schools, drifted away from the ideals of the Church.

After a cursory survey of the youth of the Church of the Brethren, these Founders of a new institution of learning were convinced that at least two hundred prospective students lived in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren and that half of them could be counted upon to enter the contemplated school. At a time when the majority of the membership of the church in the



JAY G. FRANCIS, 1870-1958  
*Pastor, Green Tree Church  
of the Brethren  
Author of Call for the  
first public meeting*

Eastern District of Pennsylvania was opposed to higher education. men of high ideals and purposes, men of courageous faith and indomitable spirit were needed to launch a movement to organize a college.

For a decade before the close of the nineteenth century, some of the leaders of the Church in Eastern Pennsylvania were discussing the establishment of a college in personal contacts and by correspondence, but the Church was apathetic on the whole to such a movement because it believed that some of the conservative teachings held in the churches of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania would be lost. Consequently, the initiative had to come, not from action by the Church, but from individuals. This sentiment for organizing a Brethren college crystallized by the year 1898, but no person or body of individuals was authorized to call a meeting to consider the matter. The principle of democracy, exercised by the colonial Town Meeting, which principle was in accordance with the polity of the Church of the Brethren, was put into operation.

One of the prime movers in this venture was J. G. Francis, Oaks, Pennsylvania, then pastor of the Green Tree Church of the Brethren. Depicting the enthusiasm of this pioneer in the founding of Elizabethtown College, the *History of the Church of the Brethren, 1915 to 1965*, states:

He travelled on bicycle throughout Eastern Pennsylvania visiting leaders in the Church in Philadelphia, York, Hanover, Gettysburg, Chambersburg, Waynesboro, Lebanon, Reading, Allentown, in New Jersey and on the Eastern shore of Maryland to promote sentiment for a school. Such devotion to a cause was without doubt required to get the movement for a college started.

It was he who, on his own initiative, sent out a postal card on November 17, 1898, to all the Elders of the churches in the eastern part of Pennsylvania. Here follows a copy of this card:

Oaks, Pa., Nov. 17, 1898

Elder Jacob G. Gottwals,  
Esteemed Brother:

In the Reading meeting house on Tuesday, November 29, beginning at 10 a.m., there will be a conference of representative brethren of our District to consider the practicability of establishing a Brethren school in Eastern Pennsylvania. A somewhat extended session is anticipated. Dinner will be served by the sisters of Reading. You, as an elder, are earnestly requested to be present.

Fraternally,  
Jay G. Francis

From *The Organization and Early History of Elizabethtown College* by G. N. Falkenstein, it appears that John Herr, Elder of the Reading Church, had given his approval of holding a meeting in the Reading Church to consider the matter of starting a school of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania. To many of the Elders of the churches this invitation came as a surprise as is seen in the following reply on a post card to J. G. Francis by G. N. Falkenstein, then pastor of the Germantown Church of the Brethren:

6611 Germantown Ave., Phila.  
11/21/98

Rev. J. G. Francis,

Dear Brother:

Your rather startling announcement on a postal card received this day. Give me a few particulars. I am anxious to know more about the matter. By whose authority is the meeting called? I should be glad to attend but cannot promise at this time. Is there hope of a profitable meeting? I am interested in the matter. We are well. I received catalog of Lordsburg College.

Yours sincerely,  
G. N. Falkenstein

### First Public Meeting

The first public meeting met as announced at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 29, 1898, in the Church of the Brethren in Reading, Pennsylvania. The attendance consisted of twelve women and twenty-two men. The meeting was called to order by J. G. Francis and prayer was offered by William M. Howe, Norristown, Pennsylvania. The organization effected was:

Moderator, John Herr, Myerstown, Pa.

Secretary, G. N. Falkenstein, Philadelphia, Pa.

After the Moderator stated the object of the meeting, J. G. Francis read letters from leading Brethren who were favorable to the establishment of a school in Eastern Pennsylvania. Following this reading, J. G. Francis moved that a school be established in Eastern Pennsylvania and F. F. Holsopple, pastor of the Parkerford Church, seconded the motion. G. N. Falkenstein then suggested that action on the motion be delayed so that there might be more discussion on this important proposal. In the course of the deliberations of the

day, the meeting lost sight of this motion, but the following persons, among others, gave their views:

*J. G. Francis, Oaks, Pa.*

A Brethren school in Eastern Pennsylvania is a necessity.

*H. E. Light, Mountville, Pa.*

I feel a school should be started; we can not educate too much, but our children need to be educated in our own schools and especially in a school that is loyal to the Church.

*J. H. Longenecker, Palmyra, Pa.*

I favor education, but our District is not united on the matter as is evident by the small representation at this meeting. Too much prejudice against higher education exists among our churches.

*George Bucher, Mechanic Grove, Pa.*

I favor a Brethren school on gospel principles. It must be subject to the Church and located in a loyal congregation.

*Samuel R. Zug, Elizabethtown, Pa.*

We need a co-educational school for our young people.

*Samuel H. Hertzler, Elizabethtown, Pa.*

We need a school that is properly managed.

Following this discussion which extended into the afternoon session, a second motion was made by George Bucher that a school be organized. Jesse C. Ziegler, Royersford, Pa., seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting then proceeded to discuss the type of school desired. Finally, G. N. Falkenstein moved that a school be established of such a character that compares favorably with any of our schools and that it should include Bible, academic, and collegiate departments—a school to be at the same time a home and a church. The motion passed.

At this meeting a committee of five was elected to take preliminary steps to find a location for establishing a Brethren college for the Eastern District of the Church of the Brethren and to decide upon the time and place of the next meeting. The ballot resulted in the election of John Herr, Myerstown, Pa.; J. H. Longenecker, Palmyra, Pa.; H. E. Light, Mountville, Pa.; G. N. Falkenstein, Philadelphia, Pa.; and E. B. Lefever, Ephrata, Pa. This Committee on Location organized as follows:

John Herr, *Chairman*  
G. N. Falkenstein, *Secretary*

Of this first public meeting, G. N. Falkenstein in his *Early History* writes:

There was a free rostrum for inquiry, suggestion, and discussion. There was little use for parliamentary ruling. Speeches were not limited.

Thus by a single motion the first public meeting was not only a deliberative conference but a working organization. It should be noted that in this meeting brethren and sisters voted in the election and that no decision as to the location of the school was made.

Prior to this first meeting of the Committee on Location, John Herr resigned on account of ill health and the committee elected S. H. Hertzler, Elizabethtown, Pa., in his stead. J. H. Longenecker also resigned, but his resignation was not accepted. He never served on the committee. As evidence of the sacrifices and hardships of these educational pioneers, the *Early History of Elizabethtown College* records the experience of G. N. Falkenstein after the meeting in Reading. In his six-mile walk from Parkerford to Royersford to the home of Jesse Ziegler for the night, he trudged through slush, mud, and snow drifts.

### Committee on Location

The work of this committee began on November 29, 1898, and ended on April 4, 1899. This group of five men was the spearhead for the new educational venture and at once G. N. Falkenstein, the Secretary of the Committee, began to acquaint towns and individuals of the attempt being made to organize a college and to arrange for visits, if necessary, to interested persons and towns.

### Reports on Visits of the Committee

#### 1. Visits to Norristown

One of the first persons to show an interest in the location of the proposed college was J. Howard Ellis, Norristown, Pa. He took G. N. Falkenstein on January 11, 1899, to see John W. Lock, the owner

of Tremont Seminary, regarding its suitability for a college site. A second visit on February 22, 1899, was scheduled to meet in the Norristown Church of the Brethren to consider the site of the Seminary, but no definite offer was made. A third visitation was made on March 7, 1899, for the purpose of investigating the Tremont Seminary building and of meeting the directors of the Norristown Peoples' Bank regarding a site for the proposed institution. During these months, J. G. Francis wrote a number of articles for the *Norristown Daily Herald*, in which he noted the advantages of having the college locate in Norristown. He stated:

It would bring business to the town; it would dispel the forces of ignorance and vice; it would be a saving of money to send children to a local college; and it would create a higher tone of intelligence and culture in the town.

A committee from the community comprising J. Howard Ellis, J. G. Francis, R. Scheetz, Eli Cassel and E. C. Harley made the following offers to the Committee on Location:

1. Twelve acres of land owned by the Norristown Peoples' Bank at a price of \$10,000—\$8,000 in cash and the balance in stock or a donation.
2. Tremont Seminary at a price of \$25,000—the owner to donate \$1,000.

### *2. Visit to Mountville*

The Committee on Location paid a visit to Mountville on March 6, 1899. The members on the tour were: H. E. Light, S. H. Hertzler, G. N. Falkenstein and E. B. Lefever. J. H. Longenecker was absent. A site of six acres on a high hill east of Mountville was offered free by Samuel Matt Fridy and John Fraelich. No reaction to this offer is recorded.

### *3. Visit to Columbia*

On March 6, 1899, the Committee on Location viewed a tract of land, comprising between four and five acres, owned by the East Columbia Land Company. Another site east of Columbia was offered by B. G. Musser. The committee regarded some of the sites viewed very desirable for the location of the college.

#### 4. Visit to Ephrata

After the visits to Mountville and Columbia, the Committee on Location investigated the proposed site of five acres on the edge of Ephrata and pronounced it "beautiful for situation and location." G. N. Falkenstein, on the way home from Ephrata, met State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Nathan C. Schaeffer, on the train and found him much interested in the founding of a college of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania. It should be recorded that the Superintendent remained very friendly to the College the remainder of his life.

The discussion at the public meeting in Reading on November 29, 1898, on the organization of a school in Eastern Pennsylvania, resulted in responses in various places. Ephrata made its voice heard. Nine days after the public meeting in Reading an article appeared in the *Ephrata News* stating:

Ephrata is no doubt as desirable a place for such a school or college as can be found anywhere in the circumscribed circuit in which it shall be located. It remains for those who are in a position, to take hold of the movement with a will.

On December 6, 1898, the public school teachers of Ephrata prepared resolutions concerning the location of the college in Ephrata. The *Lancaster Daily New Era* on December 7, 1898, records these resolutions; the last is as follows:

Resolved, that in our opinion, the introduction of a school of higher education at Ephrata would raise the intelligence and general tone of thought and morale of the entire community; that it would be a center of elevating influences raising the standards of all the public schools of northern Lancaster County, inasmuch as it would awaken an ambition in the young to gain a college education.

These resolutions prepared by the teachers of the Ephrata Public Schools, headed by H. E. Gehman, Principal of the high school, were also approved by the full Board of Education. To further the sentiment of the citizenry of Ephrata, they cited the example of the Brethren college in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. The *Ephrata Review* of March 17, 1899, records:

The Normal School at Huntingdon this state will this spring have three hundred students on its rolls. The people of Huntingdon would not in

the least degree entertain any idea of parting with their college. It has been a material and moral benefit to the town.

When the second public meeting was held on April 5, 1899, at Elizabethtown for the discussion of the location of the college, A. W. Mentzer and J. B. Keller, representing the people of Ephrata, attended the meeting and presented the advantages of locating the institution at Ephrata. Encouraged by the possibility of locating the college in their town, these men arranged for a public meeting in the Ephrata Town Hall on April 11, 1899, to discuss the location of the school.

This public meeting was presided over by A. W. Mentzer, with C. S. Yeager as Secretary. An address by H. E. Gehman, Principal of the Ephrata High School, pointed out that this rare opportunity to have a college locate in Ephrata should not be passed by, and that a special effort should be made to have the college organized in the historic town of Ephrata.

George W. Weaver, Hinkletown, Pa., stated that many young people of the community would avail themselves of the opportunity of securing a college education. His zeal for having the school locate at Ephrata is reflected in his remark:

Why should Elizabethtown be allowed to outdo its wealthier and more populous neighbor, Ephrata?

S. G. Zerfass, a teacher in the Ephrata Grammar School, maintained that the higher education of young people should not be neglected. He remarked:

If each person in this community gave five per cent of his valuation to the project, there would be no trouble at all about the location of the college at Ephrata.

Others expressed themselves in hearty support of the project. A committee was appointed to raise funds for the college. Those appointed were: Levi Keller, Samuel W. Kulp, J. B. Keller, A. W. Mentzer, and David Kilhefner.

A. W. Mentzer stated:

It is highly important that we come down to business and show what we can do in the matter of raising subscriptions.

Immediately subscriptions were taken, with A. W. Mentzer heading the list with one thousand dollars. Additional subscriptions amounting to twelve hundred dollars were raised at this meeting.

### 5. Visit to Pottstown

The first attempt to locate the new institution at Pottstown, Pa., was in a meeting called by J. G. Francis at the Coventry Church on February 28, 1899. F. F. Holsopple also favored the establishment of a Brethren college in Pottstown. The cost of the enterprise was placed at \$100,000. J. P. Hetric presided at the meeting, and J. G. Francis acted as Secretary. Because bad roads made for a small attendance, an adjourned meeting was set for March 2, 1899, in the office of A. K. Shaner in Pottstown.

The *Pottstown Daily Ledger* of March 1, 1899, contained a long article by J. G. Francis publicizing this meeting and setting forth the advantages of a college in the vicinity of Pottstown. He wrote:

A college like this, wherever located, will be a perpetual monument to the place. We have as good sites as any other place. There is no place that has a better reputation for healthfulness, scenery, and easy access.

This adjourned meeting in the office of A. K. Shaner was presided over by William F. Rex, and J. G. Francis was elected as Secretary. In the discussions, the advantages of a college to a community were set forth by a number of speakers:

*J. G. Francis:* A college would create a desire among the young to educate themselves and thus elevate the social standing of the community.

*William F. Rex:* A college is the best paying establishment in a borough, as is seen in West Chester.

*J. J. Shafer:* This town should have it because it is centrally located and is an excellent railroad center.

An article in the *Pottstown Daily Ledger* in reporting on this meeting of March 2, 1899, makes a strong plea for the location of the new institution:

The consensus of opinion was that no stone be left unturned to get the school here. It was stated that there would probably be not less than two hundred and fifty or three hundred students here from the

first, and backed by such well-to-do people as the Dunkards, it would be a success.

Indeed one in the best position to know said last night that the place lies between Pottstown and one other town, and that town had little to recommend except money and brains.

At this adjourned meeting, a committee was appointed to make the formal appeal for the location of the school in Pottstown: A. K. Shaner, R. M. Rott, William H. Saylor, D. F. Reinert, and George Evans.

On March 7, 1899, the Committee on Location composed of H. E. Light, E. B. Lefever, S. H. Hertzler, and G. N. Falkenstein arrived in Pottstown to view sites for the proposed school, but because of a heavy snow, the viewing was postponed to the following day. The *Pottstown Daily News* of March 8, 1899, comments on the committee:

The committee are a congenial company of men with broad judgment, and they will decide in favor of the most advantageous location.

At least half a dozen sites around Kenilworth were shown to the committee in the forenoon, and during the afternoon sites around Saratoga were visited. A. K. Shaner, chairman of a local committee, escorted the group. J. G. Francis, F. F. Holsopple, and J. J. Shafer were also with the Committee on Location on the tour.

The *Pottstown Daily News* of March 9, 1899, further states:

Pottstown will have a fair chance to get the school, other things being equal.

The committee from Pottstown, Pa., headed by A. K. Shaner, pointed out in a letter the superior advantages of their proferred sites for a college:

Centrality of location for the church constituency, a reasonable donation of cash to pay for at least ten per cent of the cost of the buildings, and the healthful and scenic surroundings of the town.

#### 6. *Visit to Elizabethtown*

To participate in this visit, G. N. Falkenstein left Philadelphia by train on April 4, 1899, at 6:05 a.m. and arrived at Elizabethtown at 10:20 a.m. E. B. Lefever and H. E. Light joined G. N. Falkenstein at

Lancaster. J. H. Longenecker, the fourth member of the original Committee on Location, did not serve, and S. H. Hertzler had been elected in place of John Herr, who had resigned. The Committee on Location met at the home of S. H. Hertzler and spent the remainder of the forenoon discussing the proposals of the towns bidding for the location of the college. During the afternoon, the committee drove around the town to view several sites—one near the Pennsylvania Railroad station and the other east of the town on the farm of Benjamin G. Groff.

An offer of land for the college was made to the Committee on Location by Royer S. Buch, one of the owners of the A. Buch Sons Company. According to a paper on "Grounds and Buildings" by L. D. Rose, Librarian of the College, the proposal was as follows:

Royer S. Buch and his brother, J. Harvey Buch, another owner of A. Buch Sons Company, guaranteed to pay one third of the cost of the tract of ground; their father, Addison Buch, guaranteed another third of the cost; and Benjamin G. Groff the remaining third.

The deed was finally given by Benjamin G. Groff and his wife, Annie Witmer Groff, on September 25, 1900, to Elizabethtown College for the sum of \$2,059.50 for the thirteen acre tract.

The Committee on Location had a short session prior to the second public meeting at Elizabethtown on April 5, 1899. At this session it recommended to the public meeting that a college be organized at once.

The Town Council of Elizabethtown voted to have F. H. Keller, a member of the Council, present the advantages of this community for a Brethren college. According to individuals who heard this presentation, a powerful appeal was made for locating the college at Elizabethtown. This address and the concrete offer of land were largely responsible for bringing the college to Elizabethtown.

Thus the Committee on Location performed its duties as directed by the first public meeting in a period of four months and five days—from November 29, 1899 to April 4, 1899.

### **Second Public Meeting**

G. N. Falkenstein, Secretary of the Committee on Location, sent out notices to all the churches of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania calling for a second public meeting to be held in the Elizabet-



*Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren  
Site of second public meeting*

town Church of the Brethren on April 5, 1899. The meeting appointed a committee of five from among those present to make nominations for officers of the meeting. The following nominations were ratified and the persons declared elected:

S. R. Zug, *Moderator*, Elizabethtown, Pa.  
G. N. Falkenstein, *Secretary*, Germantown, Pa.  
S. H. Hertzler, *Treasurer*, Elizabethtown, Pa.

After a brief statement of the purpose of the meeting by the moderator, the report of the Committee on Location was read. The forenoon session was spent hearing the reports on sites for the new institution of learning:

H. E. Light for Mountville  
B. G. Musser for Columbia  
A. W. Mentzer for Ephrata  
J. G. Francis for Pottstown  
F. H. Keller for Elizabethtown  
By letter for Norristown

The afternoon session started with a request by George Bucher



SAMUEL R. ZUG, 1832-1926  
*Moderator, second public meeting*

for a statement of the authority by which the first public meeting was called. J. G. Francis stated:

It originated in my mind.

G. N. Falkenstein spoke of the sentiment throughout the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in spite of much opposition to higher education and contended for the training of our youth under Christian influences.

The moderator, S. R. Zug, then declared the meeting open for discussion on the questions: Shall we have a school? What kind of a school do we want?

Answers to these questions were recorded by G. N. Falkenstein in his *Early History of Elizabethtown College*. These answers vary little from the opinions voiced in the first public meeting of November 29, 1898. A few new notes were sounded by those who felt the new institution should have a strong Bible department, an agricultural department, and a commercial department. Some expressed their opposition to the establishment of a college of the Church of the Brethren in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, but in the face of anti-school sentiment the Founders of Elizabethtown College pressed perseveringly forward. Following this discussion the meeting voted to appoint a committee of ten to be fully authorized to select a site for the location of the school. This committee designated

as the Locating Committee consisted of H. E. Light, G. N. Falkenstein, S. H. Hertzler, George Bucher, Jesse C. Ziegler, S. R. Zug, J. G. Francis, Abram H. Royer, Benjamin Hottel, and William H. Oberholtzer. This committee was also asked to draft a constitution and by-laws for the new school and to present their report at a future meeting.

This committee decided to meet at the coming District Meeting of Eastern Pennsylvania on April 20, 1899. The following organization was effected:

H. E. Light, *Chairman*

G. N. Falkenstein, *Secretary*

S. H. Hertzler, *Treasurer*

Towns offering sites were asked to report to this committee before May 10, 1899.

G. N. Falkenstein notes in his *Early History of Elizabethtown College*:

Was it a courageous bravery because of things already accomplished, or was it a desperate determination to do the things that should be done? I will not say. That there were some who had courage, I do well know, and visions also. . . . Courage, did I say? Yes, it did require courage, for this young and new educational institution had to face the three largest normal schools in the state [now State Colleges], several large church colleges well endowed, and two universities—all in the eastern part of the state.

Concerning those early meetings, he further states:

*First*, it has always been a matter of deep regret that a number of our teaching ministers were not at the first public meeting in Reading to help when helping was needful.

*Second*, the Committee on Location lost two of its most important members by resignation.

*Third*, then there were persons who for reasons best known to themselves did everything possible against this educational movement, some from without and some from within. Of the two, I think, the force from within is most to be feared.

This Locating Committee of ten members became the Executive Committee of the public meeting and carried out their decisions until a Board of Trustees was elected at the next public meeting.

## Elizabethtown Site Chosen

The next meeting of the Locating Committee was held at the Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren in Roanoke, Virginia, on May 24, 1899. Of the committee of ten the following were attending the Conference: H. E. Light, S. R. Zug, George Bucher, S. H. Hertzler, G. N. Falkenstein, J. G. Francis and William H. Oberholtzer. The last named person resigned, and the committee elected H. B. Hollinger in his stead. Sealed letters of the towns visited were read and a motion was passed that a majority of the committee would be required to decide the location of the college. Ephrata and Elizabethtown were the only towns to present offers. After a consideration of the advantages of these towns, a vote was taken on Mountville, Elizabethtown, Ephrata and Pottstown as suitable sites for the college. Seven persons were present for the vote: Jesse C. Ziegler, Benjamin Hottel, and William H. Oberholtzer were absent. On the fourth ballot the committee voted unanimously to locate the college at Elizabethtown. Thus in a little white house on Patterson Avenue in Roanoke, Virginia, Elizabethtown was selected as the location for the proposed college in Eastern Pennsylvania.

At this meeting of the Locating Committee in Roanoke a sub-committee composed of G. N. Falkenstein, Jesse C. Ziegler and J. G. Francis was appointed to prepare a constitution and by-laws for the new school. This committee was asked to meet at the home of Jesse C. Ziegler on June 1, 1899. G. N. Falkenstein reports in his diary on this meeting:

It was a hard day's work until evening.

The Locating Committee met next at the home of S. H. Hertzler in Elizabethtown on June 6, 1899, with the following present: H. E. Light, Chairman; G. N. Falkenstein, Secretary; S. H. Hertzler, Treasurer; and S. R. Zug, George Bucher, Jesse C. Ziegler, Abram H. Royer and J. G. Francis. Two protests were received regarding the location of the College at Elizabethtown, one from Ephrata and one from Pottstown, based on the fact that three members of the Locating Committee were absent when the vote was taken at Roanoke on May 24, 1899. The committee decided to reconsider the location but not to admit new offers for the location of the school. The following made pleas for a site: H. E. Light for Mountville, S. R. Zug for Elizabethtown, Abram H. Royer for Ephrata, and J. G.

Francis for Pottstown. On the third ballot then taken, eight votes were cast for Elizabethtown and the location was finally determined. In the afternoon several sites were viewed around Elizabethtown and the location on the eastern side of the town was chosen. The sub-committee on the constitution and by-laws made their report and only a few changes were made.

A long discussion centered on the name to be given to the college. J. G. Francis presented the name Mack College. George Bucher opposed naming the College after an individual and suggested the name Conestoga College, but H. E. Light felt that name was too local. Jesse C. Ziegler offered the name East Penn College, but the motion to adopt this name failed to pass. Finally the name Conestoga College, proposed by the sub-committee on constitution and by-laws, was selected by vote.

On the morning of the next day, June 7, 1899, prior to the third public meeting, the Locating Committee revoked its decision on the name of the College and presented the name Elizabethtown College for consideration. A revised constitution and by-laws were also submitted to the meeting.

### Third Public Meeting

#### *A. Elizabethtown Site Confirmed*

The last of the three public meetings was held on June 7, 1899, in the Church of the Brethren in Elizabethtown. On the final selection of the name of the college, G. N. Falkenstein records in his diary:

The name Conestoga College, however, was completely knocked out, but not until Elizabethtown College had been almost unanimously voted down and then brought up again for reconsideration and adopted by a large majority.

#### *B. First Board of Trustees Elected*

At this public meeting the Locating Committee presented the names of seventeen men as nominees for the office of trustee of the new College, men and women voting by ballot. The vote resulted as follows:

*For a three-year term*

G. N. Falkenstein, Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler

*For a two-year term*

J. H. Rider, Nathan Hoffman, M. R. Henry

*For a one-year term*

P. C. Nyce, T. F. Imler, L. R. Brumbaugh

By motion it was decided that the trustees be authorized to call a meeting of the contributors whenever deemed necessary. These contributors constituted the owners of the College and elected the trustees in the following years.

While the votes for trustees were being counted, George Bucher, Mechanic Grove, Pa., moved that a clause be inserted in the constitution and by-laws of the College prohibiting instrumental music in the school. The meeting decided to place the matter in the hands of the new trustees.

### *C. Constitution and By-laws*

The constitution and by-laws, after considerable discussion, were adopted. A copy follows:

#### Constitution and By-Laws for the Government of Elizabethtown College

##### *Constitution*

###### *ARTICLE I—Name*

This Institution shall be known by the name of Elizabethtown College.

###### *ARTICLE II—Object*

The object of this School shall be such a harmonious development of the physical, mental and moral powers of both sexes as will best fit them for the duties of life and promote the spiritual interests of its patrons.

###### *ARTICLE III—Character*

While under the control and management of the German Baptist Brethren Church [named Church of the Brethren in 1908] and primarily intended for the education of our own children, the School shall be open to all such as desire to avail themselves of its privileges.

###### *ARTICLE IV—Departments*

The School shall consist of three departments: Bible, Collegiate and Academic.

### ARTICLE V—*Board of Trustees*

Section 1—*Eligibility.* The members of the Board of Trustees shall be representative members of the German Baptist Brethren Church.

Section 2—*Election.* The Board of Trustees shall consist of nine members; three of which shall be elected for one year, three for two years, and three for three years; after which three shall be elected at the annual meeting of the contributors.

Section 3—*Duties.* (a) The Board of Trustees shall hold in trust all the School Property, such as buildings, ground, etc., and receive all bequests, donations and gifts, and apply the same according to the wishes of the donors, provided said wishes are not contrary to the principles of the Church; and the disbursements of all moneys shall be by the direction of this Board.

(b) They shall effect their own organization, and elect all officers and teachers of the School.

(b) In case of a vacancy in the Board it shall be the duty of the Board to fill such vacancy until the next annual election.

Section 4—*Officers.* The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and their duties shall be those usually devolving upon such officers.

### ARTICLE VI—*Electors*

Section 1. Any friend of the College contributing one hundred dollars, either as an individual gift, or the aggregate of smaller gifts from friends, shall be entitled to one vote, and one vote for each additional one hundred dollars.

Section 2. Any person paying two hundred dollars in tuition fees shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 3. Any congregation contributing one hundred dollars shall have one vote by delegate, and one vote for each additional one hundred dollars.

Section 4. Proxy votes shall be allowed in all these cases.

### ARTICLE VII

This Constitution can be amended only by a two-thirds vote of all the electors present at any annual meeting, due notice having been given of the proposed change at least three months previous to the time of meeting.

*By-Laws*

1. The Board of Trustees shall meet regularly quarterly, beginning the first week in September, and in special meetings at the call of the President of the Board.
2. The annual meeting of the contributors shall take place at the College during the Commencement Week.
3. The Trustees are authorized to make such rules and regulations for the good of the School as, in their judgment, may be deemed proper.
4. Any addition, repeal, or amendment of these By-Laws can be made only at a regular meeting of the contributors and by a majority of those present.
5. In the voting for any change in the Constitution or By-Laws proxy votes shall not be allowed, and all contributors present shall be entitled to but one vote.

Passed at a public meeting of the friends of this School movement at Elizabethtown, Pa., on June 7, 1899.

G. N. Falkenstein in his *Early History of Elizabethtown College* states:

The Locating Committee and the sub-committee on constitution and by-laws were formally discharged and the meeting closed with devotional services and adjourned at five o'clock.

From the time of the first public meeting in Reading on November 29, 1898, to the close of the third public meeting at Elizabethtown on June 7, 1899, six months and nine days elapsed. Thus the College was born and named Elizabethtown College.

A copy of the original charter of Elizabethtown College is appended:

*D. The Original Charter*

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON  
PLEAS OF LANCASTER COUNTY

In compliance with the requirements of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved April 29th 1874 and the supplements thereto, the undersigned all of whom are citizens of Pennsylvania having associated themselves together for the

purpose hereinafter specified and desiring that they may be duly incorporated according to law do hereby certify

*First.* The name of the corporation is ELIZABEHTOWN COLLEGE.

*Second.* The said corporation is formed for the purpose of giving such harmonious development to the physical, mental, and moral powers of both sexes as will best fit them for the duties of life and promote their spiritual interests; and instruction shall be given in three departments viz: Bible, Collegiate, Academic.

*Third.* The business of the said corporation is to be transacted at the College in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

*Fourth.* The corporation is to exist perpetually. By its corporate name it shall purchase, enjoy and dispose of such property as may be necessary to conduct its business; shall have full power and authority to have and use a common seal with such device and inscription as they may deem proper; shall sue and be sued in its corporate name and shall make such by-laws and rules as are not inconsistent with the Charter the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth and the laws of the United States.

*Fifth.* The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Samuel H. Hertzler	Elizabethtown, Pa.
Joseph Rider	Elizabethtown, Pa.
B. G. Groff	Elizabethtown, Pa.
J. H. Eshleman	Elizabethtown, Pa.
Simon P. Engle	Elizabethtown, Pa.

*Sixth.* The corporation is to be under the control of the German Baptist Brethren Church comprising the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and is to be managed by a Board of Trustees consisting of nine members who shall be representative members of the German Baptist Brethren Church. The names of those who are chosen for three, two, and one year, respectively are:

<i>For Three Years</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Jesse C. Ziegler, <i>Chairman</i>	Royers Forde, Pa.
G. N. Falkenstein, <i>Secretary</i>	Germantown, Pa.
Samuel H. Hertzler, <i>Treasurer</i>	Elizabethtown, Pa.

<i>For Two Years</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Joseph H. Rider	Elizabethtown, Pa.
Nathan Hoffman	Pottstown, Pa.
Michael R. Henry	Derry Church, Pa.

*For One Year*

T. F. Imler	Lancaster, Pa.
L. R. Brumbaugh	Denton, Md.
George Bucher	Mechanic Grove, Pa.

*Seventh.* The corporation has no capital stock. The Constitution and by-laws of the corporation shall be deemed and taken to be its law subordinate to the statute aforesaid. This Charter shall be altered or amended as provided by the By-Laws themselves and shall prescribe the power and functions of the Trustees herein mentioned and those to be hereafter elected, the time and place of the meeting of the Trustees of the corporation for business purposes, the qualification and manner of selecting officers, the limitation as to membership, and the method of receiving contributions and bequests and all other matters pertaining to the management of said corporation.

*Eighth.* The charter may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members in good standing at any regular meeting of the corporation, the amendments or alterations having been proposed one month prior to the time they are acted upon and said alterations or amendments shall be exhibited to the Court of Common Pleas of the Proper County and notice of said application made as required by law.

*Ninth.* The first Election of Trustees shall take place on the 3d Monday of June 1900, in Elizabethtown, Pa., and on the same day and place annually thereafter by the qualified voters of said corporation, and those receiving the highest number of votes shall be the Trustees for the ensuing terms.

*Tenth.* That no misnomer of said corporation shall defeat or annul any gift, grant, devise, or bequest to said corporation provided that the intent of the parties shall sufficiently appear in said gift, grant, devise, or bequest or other writing whereby any estate or interest in any thing real or personal was intended to pass to said corporation.

Witness our hands and seals this 16th day of September A.D. 1899.

SAML. H. HERTZLER	(SEAL)
JOS H. RIDER	(SEAL)
B. G. GROFF	(SEAL)
J. H. ESHLEMAN	(SEAL)
S. P. ENGLE	(SEAL)

Filed in Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County, Penna. August 24, 1899  
ATTEST: John B. Miller, *Depy, Prothy.*

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS:

COUNTY OF LANCASTER

Before me the subscriber a Notary Public in and for said County of Lancaster personally appeared Samuel H. Hertzler, J. H. Eshleman and Joseph H. Rider three of the subscribers to the above and foregoing certificate of incorporation of Elizabethtown College and due form of law acknowledged the same to be their act and deed. Witness my hand and Notarial Seal this 16th day of September, A.D. 1899.

H. T. Shultz, *Notary Public (N.P. SEAL)*

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LANCASTER COUNTY

In the Matter of the  
Incorporation  
of  
Elizabethtown College

AND NOW to wit September 23, 1899, the within certificate of incorporation having been on file in the Office of the Prothonotary of Said Court as required by law and due proof of said publication having been presented to me I hereby certify that I have perused and examined said instrument and find the same to be in proper form and within the specified purpose of corporation of the first (1st) class according to Section 2 the Act of April 29, 1874, and that the said purposes are lawful and not injurious to the community.

It is therefore ordered and decreed that the same be approved and that upon the recording of the said charter and its endorsements and this order in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for said County the subscribers thereto and their associates shall thenceforth be a corporation for the purpose and upon the terms and under the name stated.

BY THE COURT

ATTEST: A. Chas Ilyus *for Prothy*

(OFF. SEAL)

Charles I. Landis, *Judge*

Recorded Oct. 6, 1899.

J. H. Hoober, *Recorder*



## CHAPTER TWO

# First Ten Board Meetings

1899-1900

### First Board Meeting

A NEW ERA in the history of Elizabethtown College dawned with the first meeting of the Board of Trustees in the home of Nathan Hoffman, Pottstown, Pa., on June 16, 1899. All members were present except P. C. Nyce. A temporary organization was effected with T. F. Imler, Lancaster, Pa., Chairman; and G. N. Falkenstein, Germantown, Pa., Secretary. The first order of business was the acceptance of the resignation of P. C. Nyce and the election of George Bucher, Mechanic Grove, Pa., to take his place on the Board. The term of office of a trustee was set at one year. Without making nominations for the officers of the Board of Trustees, it was decided that they should be elected by a majority vote from the names of the trustees listed in the minutes of the last public meeting. The officers elected were:

*Chairman*, Jesse C. Ziegler, Royersford, Pa.

*Vice Chairman*, T. F. Imler, Lancaster, Pa.

*Secretary*, G. N. Falkenstein, Germantown, Pa.

*Treasurer*, S. H. Hertzler, Elizabethtown, Pa.

A committee of three, Joseph H. Rider, S. H. Hertzler, and T. F. Imler, were appointed to secure a charter for the College and to



JESSE C. ZIEGLER, 1856-1918

First Chairman of the Board of Trustees

provide a design for the seal of the institution. As to the raising of funds for the College, it was voted to apportion the churches of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania among the members of the Board of Trustees as follows:

M. R. Henry—Spring Creek, Big Swatara

S. H. Hertzler and Joseph Rider—Chicques, Mountville, White Oak, West Conestoga, Tulpehocken

Nathan Hoffman—Coventry, Parkerford

George Bucher—Mechanic Grove, Conestoga, Spring Grove

Jesse C. Ziegler—Mingo, Hatfield, Indian Creek, Springfield, Little Swatara

G. N. Falkenstein—Philadelphia, Germantown, Amwell, Upper Dublin, Green Tree

L. R. Brumbaugh—Ridgely, Peach Blossom

T. F. Imler—Lancaster, Ephrata

Since the territory of the College was not considered to be confined to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Board decided to invite the Eastern District of Maryland to unite their forces with the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in the founding of Elizabethtown College. This invitation was declined.

Blank subscription books were decided upon for the solicitors and contained the preliminary statement:

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We the undersigned, therefore  
agree to pay the  
sum, or amount  
opposite our name  
for the purpose of  
securing the erection  
of in, or close by,  
the Borough of Eliz.  
abertown, Pa. of  
the proposed German  
Baptist Brethren  
College, for the East  
an District of Pa.

J. H. Hertzler 100.00  
J. G. Hoffman 500

Joseph Rider	500.00
Wm. B. Hickory	100.00
Isaac Huffman	25.00
	100.00
John Bain	25.00
H. W. Coble	25.00
	25.00
A. Dissinger	25.00
C. E. Schaeffer	100.00
C. Schaeffer	200.00
	100.00
AB Demy	35.00
J. S. Stauffer	100.00
Isaac H. Hertzler	25.00
	50
Isaac W. Barnes	25
	50.00

*Pages from a College Subscription Book*

We the undersigned promise to pay to the solicitor for Elizabethtown College the amounts set opposite our names. It is understood that the solicitor is officially appointed by the Board of Trustees of said College.

Of these books, four containing subscriptions from residents of Elizabethtown are in the archives of the College. These individual subscriptions run from one dollar to five hundred dollars.

S. H. Hertzler and Joseph H. Rider were appointed to secure articles of agreement from B. G. Groff relative to the purchase of the grounds for the College. The Board voted that the constitution and by-laws should be printed and distributed.

The original Board of Trustees was composed of five ministers, one deacon, and three laymen. Their ages ranged between forty and seventy-three years.

Summarizing this first meeting of the Board of Trustees G. N. Falkenstein in his *Early History of Elizabethtown College* writes:

I think I can say, and without undue prejudice for my fellow members, that the Board for their day and times and their experience did a good job on the difficult task assigned them. Their work reflects high ideals

and a proper estimate of spiritual values in higher education. The Board stood for open, free, and frank discussion, and the decisions were usually unanimous. As a member of the Board, I pay them high tribute for their devotion and loyalty.

In his diary G. N. Falkenstein relates the following incident that took place following this meeting of the Board. He spent the night at the home of Jesse C. Ziegler, the Chairman of the Board. He states:

During that night we herded cows in the night. They broke out of the pasture field and we returned them. College trustees should make good in any emergency. Talking until after midnight and herding cattle afterward should make good trustees, or at least show what they are made of.

### Second Board Meeting

On January 23, 1899, the Secretary of the Board of Trustees received a letter from George Bucher declining to accept the trusteeship of Elizabethtown College. A letter from G. N. Falkenstein urging him to accept the office resulted in years of faithful service by George Bucher as a trustee of the College.

The second meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on August 15 and 16, 1899, in connection with a District Ministerial Meeting held in the Church of the Brethren at Ridgely, Maryland. The Board met in the home of a Mr. Reogle near Ridgely at six o'clock in the evening with seven members present. M. R. Henry and Nathan Hoffman were absent.

S. H. Hertzler presented a draft of the charter prepared by several attorneys. After a brief discussion, S. H. Hertzler and G. N. Falkenstein were appointed to suggest revisions in the charter to attorneys M. G. Schaeffer, Lancaster, Pa., and I. R. Herr, Elizabethtown, Pa., employed to determine the final wording of the charter.

B. G. Groff was reported to have consented to the agreement to deed twelve acres of his farm for the location of the College on conditions stated in Chapter I of this *History*. The Board also decided to purchase four acres more so as to give the plot a better shape.

At this point the Board adjourned to attend the evening session of the District Ministerial Meeting and resumed business at one thirty in the afternoon of August 16, 1899. At this session the solicitors for

funds reported on their work. Several had favorable reports; others had little success or had not yet begun their work. Ephrata was designated as a hard place to work because of dissatisfaction in not being selected as the location for the College. The tabulations of the solicitors showed \$1665 pledged by churches other than Elizabethtown, and the amount pledged by Elizabethtown amounted to \$3150, thus making a total to date of \$4815.

The committee on drafting the charter presented the revised purpose of the College to be:

The said corporation is formed for the purpose of giving such harmonious development of the physical, mental, and moral powers of both sexes as will best fit them for the duties of life, and promote their spiritual interests, and instruction shall be given in three departments, viz, Bible, collegiate, and academic.

The Board voted its approval of this purpose.

The matter of securing endowment for the College received some consideration. Some suggestions were made relative to the type of College building needed.

The next Board meeting was scheduled to meet as soon as the charter was obtained.

### Third Board Meeting

Joseph H. Rider hosted the third Board meeting at his home in Elizabethtown on October 3, 1899. George Bucher had the devotional exercises. All the members of the Board were present with the exception of L. R. Brumbaugh and Nathan Hoffman.

G. N. Falkenstein reported to the Board that a petition was circulated in the vicinity of Ephrata by J. G. Francis calling for the establishment of Mack College at Ephrata. The petitioners held a meeting at Ephrata on September 12, 1899, to consider this proposal. It was attended by Jesse C. Ziegler, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

G. N. Falkenstein, writing in his diary concerning this movement states:

J. G. Francis had even prepared for this meeting a constitution and by-laws for an institution to be named Mack College. He had also corresponded with prospective teachers for this proposed school. But

the Ephrata meeting of the petitioners was a failure and Mack College was "still born."

After discussing this petition in the meeting of the Board it decided:

Inasmuch as the late school meeting on September 12, 1899, was an entire failure, and because of the impracticability for the Board to make a change in location, the whole matter is dropped.

The charter of Elizabethtown College was reported as granted by the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, on September 23, 1899.

In the remainder of the meeting of the Board, the discussion centered on the type of building needed for the College. G. N. Falkenstein moved that steps be taken at once to erect a college building. S. H. Hertzler seconded the motion.

An amendment to the motion that the cost should not exceed \$10,000 was offered. This amended motion passed unanimously. G. N. Falkenstein then presented a sketch he made of a proposed building eighty-four by forty-eight feet, with three stories and a basement. This design in the main was followed by the architect.

T. F. Imler and S. H. Hertzler were appointed as a committee to confer with an architect for plans and specifications for a college building.

#### **Fourth Board Meeting**

This meeting was held in the home of John Herr in Salunga, Pennsylvania, on October 18, 1899, at nine o'clock in the evening after the lovefeast service in the Salunga Church of the Brethren. Three members of the Board were absent: M. R. Henry, T. F. Imler, and L. R. Brumbaugh. Two architects, W. W. Bretherick and D. M. Rothermel, presented plans for the College building, but their plans were rejected because of the cost involved in the erection of the building. It was decided to leave the procuring of plans in the hands of the committee on securing an architect.

A building committee composed of T. F. Imler, S. H. Hertzler, and George Bucher was appointed. They were ordered to invite bids as soon as plans and specifications would be ready and present them at a future meeting of the Board.

From the diary of G. N. Falkenstein, it appears that the Chairman of the Board had conversations with him regarding the presidency of the new institution. The diary records:

I am willing to be led as the Lord seems to direct or lead. The Lord will direct in due time.

Shortly after this meeting of the Board, Jesse C. Ziegler, G. N. Falkenstein and S. H. Hertzler met at the home of Jesse C. Ziegler to discuss the type of college building needed, the location of the building, the ventilating and heating systems, and the need of a fire-proof vault. The selection of a President for the College was also discussed.

### Fifth Board Meeting

The Board met at the home of S. H. Hertzler on December 14, 1899. The two architects, W. W. Bretherick and D. M. Rothermel, with new plans were interviewed during the forenoon. S. H. Hertzler moved and George Bucher seconded a motion that the plans and specifications of W. W. Bretherick be accepted and that bids be obtained on the same and reported to the Board. This motion passed with the understanding that the cost is not to exceed \$10,500 and that the architect is not to receive any remuneration if the cost exceeds the amount specified.

The request of T. F. Imler to be relieved from serving on the Building Committee was granted, but he was requested to continue in an advisory capacity on the committee appointed to secure an architect.

The Board then viewed the site for the College and decided on a preliminary location for the building. Thus ended this meeting.

### Sixth Board Meeting

The Board assembled for this meeting at the home of Joseph H. Rider in Elizabethtown on April 12, 1900. B. F. Masterson of California led in the opening devotions. S. R. Zug was also a visitor in the meeting.

T. F. Imler and S. H. Hertzler, the committee on securing an architect, reported that they "had lost sight of W. W. Bretherick."

Since he failed to come up to his contract, the Board voted to relieve the committee of all responsibility to him. This committee also reported that they had arranged for an architect, A. A. Richter of Lebanon, to be present at this Board meeting. After a two-hour interview with this architect, the Board decided to employ him as the architect for the new building on specified conditions:

*First*, If the committee finds that the contract price is too high, he revise his plans to reduce the price within the reach of the Board.

*Second*, If such changes need to be made, he is to receive \$150 for this revision of plans.

*Third*, If the contract price precludes the possibility of erecting the building at this time, he be paid \$75.00 and the balance when the building has been erected.

*Fourth*, Such plans are to be in the hands of contractors not later than May 3, 1899.

The question: When shall we open school? was discussed and a motion, finally made by T. F. Imler and seconded by S. H. Hertzler that the school be opened this coming fall, was passed.

Among the prospective teachers discussed for the College were: J. J. John, Daleville, Va.; D. Melvin Long from Maryland; D. C. Reber, Bernville, Pa.; W. A. Price, and I. N. H. Beahm, Brentsville, Va. T. F. Imler moved and S. H. Hertzler seconded a motion that I. N. H. Beahm be elected Principal of the College if satisfactory terms can be agreed upon. The motion passed.

Thus a head for the new College was selected before plans for a building were accepted by the Board of Trustees.

### **Seventh Board Meeting**

Several short sessions of the Board were held at the Middle Creek House of the West Conestoga Church on May 2, 1900. The members present were: Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler, T. F. Imler, George Bucher, M. R. Henry, L. R. Brumbaugh, and G. N. Falkenstein.

The plans and specifications of architect A. A. Richter were discussed, suggestions made, and the whole matter placed in the hands of the committee on securing an architect in order that they might review the plans for a building.

Correspondence with I. N. H. Beahm concerning financial arrangements was discussed in a meeting following the dismissal of

the afternoon session of the District Meeting convened in this church. No action was taken because the departure of several trustees left the Board without a quorum. But Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler, and G. N. Falkenstein met at the home of Joseph Doster at six o'clock in the evening and agreed on the terms of employing I. N. H. Beahm, subject to the approval of the Board. The agreement was that in case he should not teach, he was to receive \$300 for organizing and managing the school and that when he would be able to teach, the Board should arrange for paying such services. His duties were in a general way those devolving upon a principal. On account of the illness of I. N. H. Beahm at this time, S. H. Hertzler, T. F. Imler and George Bucher were asked to confer with him and make such arrangements as might be deemed necessary.

On the illness of I. N. H. Beahm, G. N. Falkenstein writes in the *Early History of the College*:

It should be noted that I. N. H. Beahm was an invalid at this time, and for some months, from a serious nervous breakdown. It was the hope of his family that he would be able to recuperate some so as to assist in the organization and even do some teaching. But much to the regret of all of us he was bedfast long before the opening of the school and was bedridden for the most part for several years. He was not able to do a day's work during the years of my administration. Some references will appear from time to time in regard to his heroic struggle for his health, and to our great gratification after some four years he won his battle.

At the close of this seventh Board Meeting pressure was brought to bear to secure a proper person to solicit both money and patronage for the College.

### Eighth Board Meeting

The Trustees met at the home of S. H. Hertzler on the morning of June 11, 1900, at eight o'clock. The first item of business dealt with the offer made to I. N. H. Beahm with reference to his duties as Principal of the College. He reported that he was willing to accept the management of the affairs of the College for not less than \$300 and not more than \$350.

Elizabeth Myer, Bareville, Pa., upon negotiations with several members of the Board, was chosen as a teacher at a salary of forty-



*Alpha Hall  
First Building Erected  
Dedicated March 4, 1901*

five dollars a month. G. N. Falkenstein was also elected as a teacher. He stated that he could not consider less than \$600 for the school year. The Board made him an offer in the amount asked for, and after ten days of consideration he accepted.

T. F. Imler resigned from the committee on securing an architect, and Joseph G. Heisey, Elizabethtown, Pa., was elected in his stead. Bids for the erection of a building were then opened. They ranged from \$14,000 to \$18,000. Benjamin Groff, Elizabethtown, Pa., submitted a bid of \$15,000 but promised a reduction of \$750 if the contract were awarded to him. This offer the Board accepted and ground was broken on July 10, 1900.

I. N. H. Beahm was asked to prepare a four-page folder announcing the opening of the College.

Nathan Hoffman's resignation from the Board was accepted.

### **Ninth Board Meeting**

This "long and hard" session was held at the home of Joseph H. Rider, Elizabethtown, Pa., on August 16, 1900. Members present

were: Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler, Joseph H. Rider, George Bucher, M. R. Henry, and G. N. Falkenstein.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the College on June 25, 1900, the following trustees were elected:

For three years—George Bucher, T. F. Imler and David Kilhefner

For one year—L. R. Brumbaugh

The election of officers of the Board:

*Chairman*, Jesse C. Ziegler

*Vice President*, Joseph H. Rider

*Secretary*, G. N. Falkenstein

*Treasurer*, S. H. Hertzler

The resignation of T. F. Imler was accepted with reluctance. In his stead Isaac B. Royer, Reistville, Pa., was elected to fill the vacancy on the Board.

A committee on catalog, textbooks, printing and stationery was appointed: G. N. Falkenstein, Jesse C. Ziegler, Elizabeth Myer and I. N. H. Beahm, ex-officio. This committee was also asked to set the time of the first day of classes and to prepare the program for opening day.

As more teachers were felt to be needed, the Board employed J. A. Seese, Arden, Va., at thirty dollars a month, he to pay his own board.

The Board decided to drill a well for the water supply needed and to have the new building wired for electric lights. Even though a plain brick building was specified in the contract, Benjamin Groff, the contractor, insisted upon decorative white marble keystones above the windows of the building. The Trustees granted the request upon the condition that the contractor himself pay one fourth of the cost. The contractor agreed to the conditions.

The Board adjourned in time to visit the site of the College and to note the progress made in the construction of the building, the basement being almost completed.

On August 20, 1900, G. N. Falkenstein spent the day at the home of Jesse C. Ziegler, who was a farmer. During this day the first catalog of Elizabethtown College was compiled. In his diary G. N. Falkenstein states:

It was one of the hardest days of my life. I. N. H. Beahm, a member of the committee on catalog, could give us no service whatever. He seems to have settled down to the conviction that he is an invalid. He is still almost helpless. He walks with much difficulty on two canes. When the Principal should be the embodiment of tremendous energy, I pity him and the principalship. I hope the Lord will direct him.

I had intended that I. N. H. Beahm and Elizabeth Myer should complete the work begun by the committee on catalog at the home of S. H. Hertzler, but I found it was useless to think of getting any such work out of I. N. H. Beahm at this time. He was not able to do anything.

On this day on the farm of Jesse Ziegler, who was threshing grain when G. N. Falkenstein arrived, the writing of the catalog was taken up. Following the supper hour until ten o'clock these two trustees labored and Samuel H. Ziegler, a son of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, re-copied their work as they produced material for the catalog. Not finishing their task in the evening, this same team labored hard and constantly the following day until several hours after the noon meal. "There was no threshing that day." Thus a catalog of sixteen pages was produced.

### Tenth Board Meeting

On October 2, 1900, the Board assembled at the home of S. H. Hertzler in Elizabethtown. The members were present with the exception of M. R. Henry. Isaac B. Royer did not accept membership on the Board and E. M. Wenger, Fredericksburg, Pa., was elected in his stead.

Too much delay on the work of the new College building was reported.

At this time \$3300 was reported paid with \$4400 still due on the pledges made by contributors. The Board decided to solicit additional individuals for funds and to find out where money was available at the lowest interest rate. The minutes of the Board state that if additional funds were needed:

The trustees shall stand together and borrow on their personal responsibility, having for their security that part of the College grounds which are to be sold in lots. Money from all sources shall be appropriated to reduce first such personal responsibilities of said trustees.

Joseph G. Heisey and S. H. Hertzler were appointed to investigate the securing of a loan to complete the payment of the College building. A mortgage on ten acres of college land and on the building was to be given as security.

An adjourned session of the Board was held in the Lancaster Church of the Brethren on the afternoon of October 3, 1900. Numerous items pertaining to the opening of the College were considered. G. N. Falkenstein, S. H. Hertzler and I. N. H. Beahm were appointed as a Committee on Furniture.

The factual materials of the first ten Board meetings are gleaned by the writer from the Minutes of the Board as recorded by its secretary, G. N. Falkenstein.



I. N. H. BEAHM, 1859-1950  
*Principal of College, 1900-1901*  
*President of College, 1904-1910*

## CHAPTER THREE

# Years of Organization | 1900-1908

### Opening Day

WITH A PRINCIPAL and a Faculty of three individuals the newly organized College announced that the school would open on November 13, 1900. However, the Principal, I. N. H. Beahm, was ill and unable to perform his duties; consequently the responsibility of preparing for the beginning of the school devolved upon G. N. Falkenstein, one of the elected Faculty.

Because the building intended for use on the opening day of the College was unfinished, the hall on the third floor of the Heisey Building on the corner of South Market and Bainbridge Streets in Elizabethtown was rented for class purposes.

Formal opening exercises were held in this hall at two o'clock on the afternoon of November 13, 1900, with an attendance of about one hundred people: members of the Board of Trustees, three Faculty members, citizens of the town, and six students. Here follows a copy of the program:

#### Opening Day Program

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1900

Scripture Reading and Prayer . . . . .	S. R. Zug
Address—Representing the Board of Trustees . .	Jesse C. Ziegler

Address—Representing the Patrons . . . . .	I. N. S. Will
Address—Representing the Citizens . . . . .	F. H. Keller
Address—Representing the Faculty . . . . .	G. N. Falkenstein
Address—Our Needs . . . . .	S. H. Hertzler
Voluntary Remarks	

The first six students to enroll were:

- Kurwin D. Henry, Big Mount, Pa.
- Warren H. Ziegler, Royersford, Pa.
- Rufus P. Bucher, Mechanic Grove, Pa.
- John K. Boll, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Walter A. Kittinger, Ambler, Pa.
- Willis S. Heisey, Elizabethtown, Pa.

These were known as the "Faithful Six." The out-of-town students and the Faculty roomed in a private dwelling, studied downstairs, and took their meals with Mrs. I. N. H. Beahm, the elected matron of the College.

Of the evening of this opening day G. N. Falkenstein wrote the following in his diary:

We went to our lodging place in the evening: J. A. Seese, teacher, Warren Ziegler, Walter Kittinger, Rufus Bucher, Kurwin Henry, my nephew, and I; all room at the same place, in the home of W. A. Withers. We all board at Mrs. Beahm's.

November 14, 1900, marked the first day of class recitations in the Heisey Hall. The day opened with a chapel exercise, at which G. N. Falkenstein read the twenty-third Psalm. The large hall not suited for class recitations, the school moved after the first week to a house owned by Joseph H. Rider, adjoining the Church of the Brethren on Washington Street, Elizabethtown, Pa. Of this beginning G. N. Falkenstein records in his diary:

This is the beginning of the actual work—small and yet auspicious. The Lord knows the end from the beginning. We do not. But I desire seventy-five students enrolled before the close of the school year—Bible and all, and I ask the Lord for same here and now. Lord grant it.

The layout of the first floor of the Rider house was: a front room, containing the book room, office, reading room and library, the next room, the chapel and recitation room; the third room, a study and



*Joseph H. Rider House*

*Washington Street Parsonage of the Church of the Brethren  
Site of Class Work November 21, 1900 to Christmas, 1900*

recitation room; and the rear room, the cloak room and store room. Under such an environment the work was carried on until the Christmas vacation.

### First Catalog

The first College catalog was published in August, 1900, a blue booklet eight inches by five and one-half inches containing sixteen pages. It listed the names of the members of the Board of Trustees and of the Faculty. Here follows the Faculty roster:

I. N. H. Beahm, Principal and Teacher of Bible, Psychology and Pedagogy

G. N. Falkenstein, Teacher of Sciences, Civil Government, History, and Classics

Elizabeth Myer, Teacher of Mathematics, Elocution, and English

J. A. Seese, Teacher of Commercial Subjects and Mathematics

J. Kurtz Miller, Teacher in the Special Bible Term

The School Calendar listed three terms:

Fall Term—six weeks, November 13 to December 24.

Winter Term—thirteen weeks, January 1 to March 29.

Spring Term—twelve weeks, April 1 to June 20.

Of the four courses contemplated in the Academic Department, the Catalog outlined a Literary Course of three years intended primarily for students preparing to teach. The Bible Department offered a two-year course in Bible and related subjects. The Classical and Scientific courses were to appear in the next catalog.

With regard to expenses the catalog states:

We do not aim to enter into competition in the matter of expenses, believing that these have already been brought down to the lowest figures consistent with faithful service.

Here are some items on expenses from the first catalog:

Tuition in any regular course per week . . . . .	\$1.00
Boarding in college building per week . . . . .	2.50
Room rent per week . . . . .	.50
Light and fuel per term . . . . .	2.50
Library fee per term . . . . .	.50
Ladies' rooms furnished with carpets . . . . .	Free
Gentlemen's rooms with carpet per term . . . . .	.50

Upon the return of the students after the first Christmas vacation, the new College building was ready for occupancy, and on January 2, 1901, all properties were transferred from town to the new site. The basement of the new building contained the heating plant, the kitchen, the dining room, and a laboratory for students taking courses in science. On the first floor were the offices, the library, the chapel, the bookstore, and three class rooms. The second floor was given over to dormitories—the west end of the building for women and the east end for men. The third floor, later to be used for dormitories, was unfinished.

This building was accepted from the contractor, Benjamin G. Groff, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees on March 28, 1901, at a cost of \$14,318.71.

## Dedication of Alpha Hall

The Dedication Services of the College building were held at two o'clock on Monday afternoon, March 4, 1901. The program follows:

Scripture Reading and Prayer	S. H. Hertzler
Dedication Sermon	S. R. Zug
Address—Education and Our Young People	T. F. Imler
Address—The Practical Side of Our Educational Life	Elizabeth Myer
Address—Our Education in Relation to the Work of the Church	G. N. Falkenstein
Financial Status	S. H. Hertzler
Address—What We Hope For	Jesse C. Ziegler
Volunteer Speeches	

## Tree Planting

To beautify the surroundings of the lone building on the hill the Faculty and students promoted a movement to plant two hundred maple trees around the building. I. N. S. Will and J. A. Seese were appointed as a Committee on Survey to outline systematically this planting of the trees. Any person could receive one or more trees by paying the original cost of the trees and then plant them personally or have them planted as they would direct. All the trees planted were tagged with the names of the donors, and a chart locating each tree was to be framed and hung on the walls of the College. This chart was lost over the course of years. Anna Brennenman, first woman to enroll in the College, planted the first tree and Kurwin Henry, the first man to enroll, planted the second tree. These trees planted on April 6, 1901, remain for the most part in the maple grove in front of Alpha Hall and to the north of Rider Hall.

According to the Minutes of the Board of Trustees, April 6, 1901, was designated as campus improvement day:

On this day flowers and shrubbery were planted around the College building (Alpha Hall) and the grove of maples north of Alpha Hall and Rider Hall was planted under the supervision of trustee T. F. Imler. Being of a methodical bent of mind he directed that all trees

be planted at right angles. A loyal friend of the institution, Milton J. Brecht, Superintendent of the Lancaster County Public Schools, was in attendance to lend his support. During the tree planting a driving rain storm appeared on the scene, but both of the above named staunch supporters did not leave the scene until they were drenched to the skin and every tree properly imbedded in rich soil.

### **Administration of the College**

For the first nine years Elizabethtown College was directed by the following Principals and President:

#### *The Year 1900—1901*

*I. N. H. Beahm*, Principal and Teacher of Bible, Psychology, and Pedagogy at a salary of \$300 for organizing the school with additional salary for actual teaching. Because of a nervous breakdown, prior to the opening of the school year, he was unable to perform the full duties of his office for a period of two years. *G. N. Falkenstein* virtually served as the Acting Principal for this first academic year.

#### *The Year 1901—1902*

*G. N. Falkenstein*, Principal and Teacher of Bible, Pedagogy, and Psychology at a salary of \$600 for the school year.

#### *The Year 1902—1903*

*G. N. Falkenstein*, Principal and Teacher of History, Science, Psychology and Bible.

*D. C. Reber*, Acting Principal and Teacher of Foreign Languages, Mathematics, and Pedagogy.

On account of failing health, *G. N. Falkenstein* resigned his position on September 30, 1902, and *D. C. Reber*, the elected Vice-Principal for the year, was asked to serve as Acting Principal on October 30, 1902. This position he filled this academic year.

In his resignation from the Principalship, *G. N. Falkenstein* stated to the Board of Trustees:

In severing my connection with Elizabethtown College, I feel keenly that I leave a work that was close to my heart, and I earnestly must pray for its future greater success under God's blessing.

He continued to serve as Secretary of the Board of Trustees until March 13, 1903.

*The Year 1903-1904*

*D. C. Reber*, Principal and Teacher of Psychology, Mathematics, and Pedagogy.

*H. K. Ober*, Vice Principal and Teacher of Commercial Subjects and Mathematics.

*The Year 1904-1905*

*I. N. H. Beahm*, President and Teacher of Psychology and Ethics.

*D. C. Reber*, Vice President and Teacher of Mathematics, Pedagogy, and German.

*H. K. Ober*, Principal of the Commercial Department.

This is the first year that the head of the College was designated as President.

*The Years 1905-1907*

The same as the year 1904-1905.

*The Years 1908-1910*

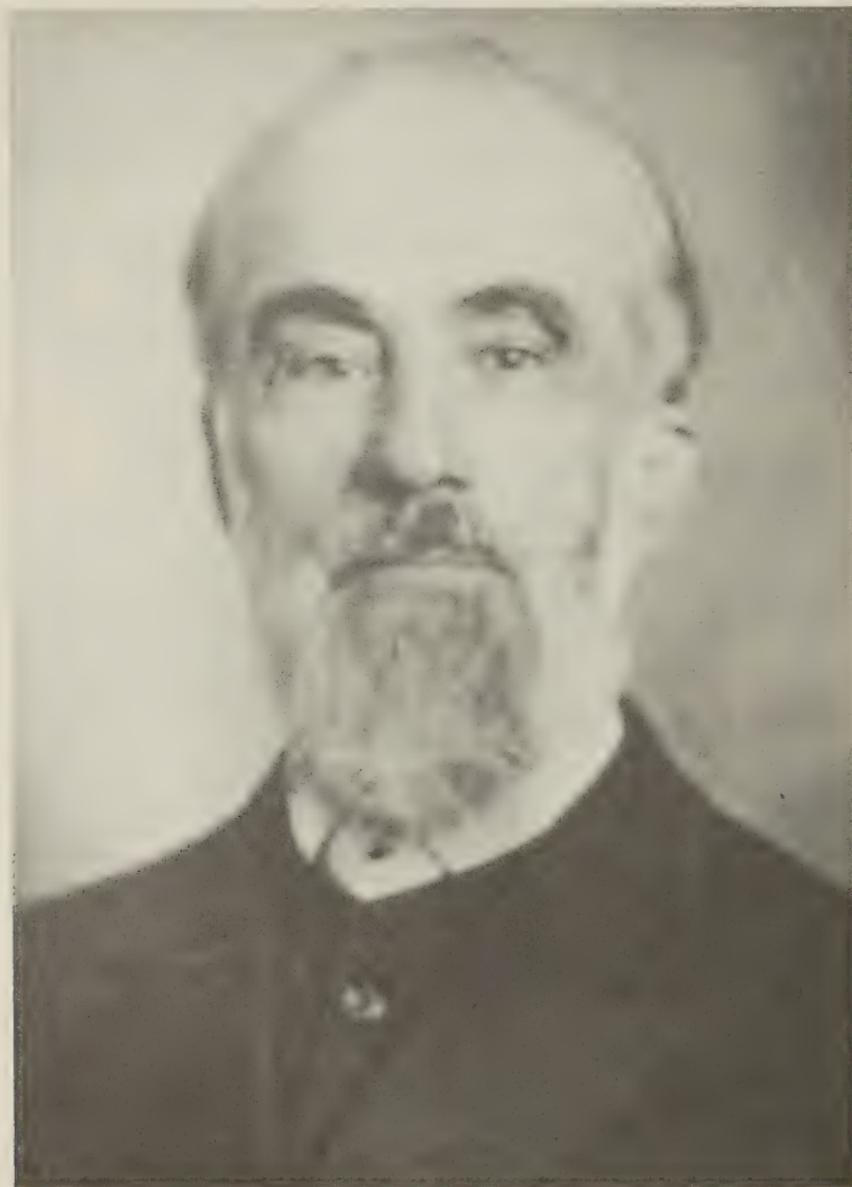
*I. N. H. Beahm*, President and Lecturer on Bible.

*D. C. Reber*, Acting President.

The Minutes of the Board of Trustees state that for the year 1908-1909 and the following year I. N. H. Beahm "was elected as nominal President." During these two years the President spent most of his time lecturing, preaching and soliciting funds and students for Elizabethtown College.

## Faculty

*I. N. H. Beahm* was elected Principal of Elizabethtown College on April 12, 1900, but on account of illness did not assume the full duties of the office until the year 1904-1905 when he was elected President of Elizabethtown College. After serving in this position for three years, he was elected as "nominal" President of the College for the years 1908 to 1910. He was a graduate of Bridgewater College in the class of 1887, taught in that institution, and founded Botetourt Normal School in 1897. In 1899 he accepted the presi-



GEORGE N. FALKENSTEIN, 1859-1949

*Pastor, Germantown Church of the Brethren*

*Acting Principal of College, 1900-1901*

*Principal of College, 1901-1902*

*Secretary of Board of Trustees*

dency of Lordsburg (now LaVerne) College in California, but in a few months found himself physically unable to carry on the work.

G. N. Falkenstein became the Principal of the College for a second term but failing health caused him to resign on September 30, 1902. He was a student in the famed York County Academy and a graduate in a course in education at Juniata College in 1882.

In the fall of 1882 he was a student at Oberlin College and in 1883 at Mount Morris College in Illinois. After teaching several years in the public schools, he was called to teach science courses at Mount Morris College, and at the same time took advanced courses at the University of Michigan. After this experience he was called to the pastorate of the mother Church of the Brethren in Germantown, Pennsylvania, where he served until called to the Faculty of Elizabethtown College. He rendered invaluable service to the College as the Secretary of the meetings preliminary to the organization of the College and as Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and as the guiding hand in the administration of the College from its beginnings to the end of his principalship in 1902.

*Elizabeth Myer*, one of the first teachers in the College, was employed as a teacher of English subjects at a salary of forty-five dollars a month. She was graduated from the Millersville State Normal School in 1887. After she began wearing the plain garb of the church she had fears lest she might not be able to continue her work at the Normal School, but Dr. B. F. Shaub, the Principal of the Normal School, assured her that her convictions would be respected in the School. She was graduated as the salutatorian of her class. For a period of twenty-four consecutive years she was an inspiration to all who sat in her classes at Elizabethtown College.

D. C. Reber, a man of noble character, sound scholarship, and ability to teach, was elected by the Board of Trustees as Vice-Principal for the year 1902-1903. But the illness of G. N. Falkenstein threw upon him the duties of the principalship for that year. In 1903-1904 he was the Principal of the College. He was the first student at Juniata College to receive a baccalaureate degree. Ursinus College granted him a Master's degree, and in 1902 he received a Doctor's degree in pedagogy from New York University. Even though the university authorities advised him to steer clear

of privately owned church colleges, he cast his lot with an infant church-related college and in the course of a short period of years gave Elizabethtown College academic standing.

*H. K. Ober* joined the Faculty of the College at the beginning of the year 1902-1903 as a teacher of penmanship and commercial subjects. He was a student the following years at Millersville State Normal School from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy in 1908. In the early days of his teaching career he laid the foundations of a sound pedagogy for students preparing for the teaching profession. In later years he received a Master of Science degree from Franklin and Marshall College and a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University. He also served as Vice-President of the College for two years and was later elected as President of the College on February 11, 1918.

Additional members of the Faculty were employed with the enlarged roster of courses offered and increased enrollment:

In 1903—J. M. Pittinger

In 1904—P. S. Davis, W. H. Sanger, Flora Good, Luella G. Fogel-sanger, I. E. Shoop.

In 1905—B. F. Wampler, J. G. Meyer, J. Z. Herr, Nathan Martin

In 1906—L. D. Rose, W. A. Price, L. Margaret Haas

In 1907—E. C. Bixler, Earl Eshelman, G. H. Light, Leah M. Sheaffer, R. W. Schlosser, W. E. Glasmire, Elizabeth Kline

In 1908—M. A. Good, Elmer R. Ruhl, Walter K. Gish

Thus from an initial Faculty of three in 1900, the number increased in a nine-year period to a Faculty of seventeen.

The year 1905 marks the beginning of teaching at Elizabethtown College for two men of great promise: J. G. Meyer, a teacher of history and geography, who later became President of the College; J. Z. Herr, a teacher of commercial subjects, who for twenty-nine years served efficiently as a teacher and Treasurer and Business Manager of Elizabethtown College.

The year 1907-08 marks the first appearance of the names of Leah M. Sheaffer, R. W. Schlosser and W. E. Glasmire on the Faculty roster.

**Student Enrollment***Compiled from College Catalogs*

<i>Year</i>	<i>Students</i>	<i>Faculty</i>	<i>Graduates</i>
1900-01	27	3	0
1901-02	64	5	0
1902-03	108	5	3
1903-04	106	6	7
1904-05	128	9	26
1905-06	148	11	15
1906-07	177	12	18
1907-08	196	15	25
1908-09	183	17	21

**Early Commencements**

The first commencement of Elizabethtown College was held in the College Chapel in Alpha Hall on June 13, 1903. The program of exercises follows:

*Program*

Invocation . . . . .	I. N. H. Beahm
Quartette—Happy Welcome	
Recitation . . . . .	Lizzie M. Eby
Oration . . . . .	S. B. Kiefer
Male Quartette	
Recitation . . . . .	Luella G. Fogelsanger
Oration . . . . .	M. Alverda Stayer
Quartette	
Oration . . . . .	Bessie M. Rider
Presentation of Diplomas . . . . .	I. N. H. Beahm
Anthem	

Three of the persons on the program were graduates in the Commercial Course:

Lizzie M. Eby, Lancaster, Pa.

Luella G. Fogelsanger, Woodbury, N. J.

Bessie M. Rider, Elizabethtown, Pa.



*Class of 1904*

*Rear row, l. to r., John B. Henry, Walter K. Gish, H. K. Garman, Irwin E. Shoop.  
Front row, l. to r., Samuel B. Kiefer, M. Alverda Stayer, Harry H. Lehman.*

Of the seven graduates of the Class of 1904, five completed the Commercial Course. Of the twenty-three members of the Class of 1905, twelve completed the Commercial Course; six, the English Scientific Course; four, the Pedagogical Course; and one, the College Preparatory Course. In the Class of 1906, nine completed the Commercial Course and three, the English Scientific Course.

Thus, a majority of the students were enrolled in the commercial courses offered the first few years. But by 1907-08, out of a class of twenty-five, thirteen completed academic courses and ten, commercial courses.

### Guest Speakers

Commencements and anniversaries brought outstanding personalities to the campus of Elizabethtown College.

Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, delivered an address on March 5, 1906, at the dedication of Memorial Hall. In paying his respects to Elizabethtown College, he said:

I hear you speak of a Bible Term—to my mind an indication of the stress you are laying on that part of Protestantism that the Bible is the only rule of religious faith and practice. . . . If this institution keeps

good teachers, is alive to its opportunities, and enters the field that is opening up amongst your own people, two buildings will not be enough; you will add building after building; you will add year to year in your courses, in your educational facilities, and your courses will equal the best to be found in any institution in America.

Dr. E. O. Lyte, of the Millersville State Normal School, also addressed the audience on this occasion.

On October 28, 1907, Dr. M. G. Brumbaugh, President of Juniata College, in an address to the student body of the College, concluded his appeal in these words:

Lift yourselves every day into a higher, grander, and sweeter atmosphere of the kind of man and woman you want to be and you will become that. Do the right thing, the manly thing, the square thing, the clean thing in your life.

Dr. George Hull, of Millersville State Normal School, delivered an address on November 13, 1907, at the Seventh Anniversary Program of the founding of the College. In stating his philosophy of education he remarked:



*Class of 1905*

*Rear row, l. to r., E. Blanche Fisher, C. J. Hanft, Elizabeth A. Zortman, Jacob Z. Herr, Opal H. Hoffman, Charles W. Shoop, Anna L. Difffenbaugh, Walter K. Gish, Minerva E. Stauffer.*

*Middle row, l. to r., Mary E. Hertzler, Isaiah E. Oberholtzer, Elizabeth Kline, Lydia M. Buckwalter, Jacob G. Meyer, Mary B. Hess, John H. Stayer, Ada M. Little.*

*Front row, l. to r., John M. Miller, M. J. Hollada, George H. Light, Irwin E. Shoop, James M. Breitigan, David L. Landis.*

I do not believe that that education that is not founded on the Bible is worth anything. It is a building on the sand. The Bible is the cornerstone of the foundation.

Dr. J. P. McCaskey, Principal of the Lancaster Boys' High School, spoke at the opening day services at Elizabethtown College on September 7, 1909. He also stressed the importance of a knowledge of the Bible:

I would not take any course of university training whatsoever in exchange for my own blessed experience of childhood in which the familiar lesson of the opening words of the Bible was impressed in so many ways. In the beginning God.

In addition to these great leaders in the field of education, members of the Faculty at the regular Chapel services and on special programs constantly kept the ideals of the Founders of the College as a living reality before the student body.

### Organization of an Administrative Committee of the Faculty

During the first four years of the College, the details of operating the affairs of the institution were in the hands of committees of the Board of Trustees. On March 15, 1904, a proposal on the management of the College by an Administrative Committee of the Faculty was submitted to the Board of Trustees by a committee of the Faculty: I. N. H. Beahm, D. C. Reber, and H. K. Ober.

After commending the Board of Trustees for sincerity of purpose, diligence of effort, and prudence of supervision and feeling that those "engaged in the work at the school have a better opportunity for knowing the needs of the school", this committee recommended the following to the Board of Trustees:

*First*, That the Board employ three men who will organize themselves into a co-operative committee to administer the affairs of the College, subordinate to the Board of Trustees.

*Second*, That these three men be: I. N. H. Beahm, D. C. Reber, and H. K. Ober, who shall organize themselves and be known as the Administrative Committee. The officers of which shall be:

President, I. N. H. Beahm

Vice President, D. C. Reber

Secretary and Treasurer, H. K. Ober

*Third*, That each of these three men be paid a salary of \$700 per annum by the Board of Trustees.

*Fourth*, That the Administrative Committee shall administer the affairs of the school to the best of their ability in harmony with the original intent of the College; that is, they are to accord with the principles of the Gospel and with our Brotherhood, and thus furnish a home for our young people and a place for their education.

*Fifth*, That the Chairman of the Administrative Committee shall employ all additional and necessary teaching force, and all other help, all of which is to be approved by the Administrative Committee and the Board of Trustees.

*Sixth*, That the Administrative Committee assume the entire routine management of the school.

*Seventh*, That the Treasurer of the Administrative Committee be made the Acting Treasurer of the Board of Trustees and that he be furnished with sufficient funds to pay all bills.

*Eighth*, That if there is a balance in favor of the College at the end of the year, the Board of Trustees shall receive twenty-five per cent of said balance, and the Administrative Committee the remaining seventy-five percent.

### Annual Bible Terms

On January 8, 1901, the Board of Trustees, in accordance with the wish of the Founders of the College, voted to institute a Bible Term to be held annually in the College Chapel. The committee to engage a special teacher for this period of Bible teaching, which at first covered a period of four weeks, was: S. H. Hertzler and G. N. Falkenstein. The earliest teachers hired were J. Kurtz Miller, E. S. Young, William M. Howe, J. G. Royer, S. H. Hertzler, I. N. H. Beahm, and D. C. Reber.

These sessions drew large evening audiences and good sized day classes. The total number registered the first year was 115 and reached an enrollment of 356 for the year 1909.

### Model School

In order that prospective teachers might have the opportunity of actual teaching experience, the State Normal Schools provided a Model School for this purpose. Since Elizabethtown College from

the beginning aimed at the preparation of teachers, the Board of Trustees felt the need of a Model School on the campus and voted to open such a facility by September, 1901. Elizabeth Myer was selected out of the Faculty on July 17, 1901, to be the Superintendent of this Model School, but on account of a heavy teaching load and other duties, she was relieved of this office on December 2, 1901, and M. Alverda Stayer was named as Assistant Director of the Model School. Three children of G. N. Falkenstein, together with other children from the town, were enrolled. According to the Faculty roster for 1904-1905 the Model School was discontinued.

### Keystone Literary Society

In order that students could participate in forensic activities the Keystone Literary Society was organized on April 10, 1901. A marble block with the letters KLS cut into its base was provided for the presiding officer's desk by J. A. Coble, Elizabethtown, Pa. A gavel was made by S. B. Kiefer, Elizabethtown, out of wood from the historic Witness Tree on the grounds of the Donegal Presbyteri-



*Keystone Literary Society*

an Church. The officers elected at its first meeting were: J. A. Seese, President; Kurwin Henry, Vice President; and Lydia M. Buckwalter, Secretary. At a special meeting of the Society on April 24, 1901, Keystone Literary Society was adopted as its name. The purpose of the Society was stated as follows:

The improvement of the mind by literary culture, the ability to express thoughts with power and eloquence, readiness and skill in debate, and a familiar acquaintance with the rules and usages of deliberate bodies.

As early as 1909 members of the Society petitioned the Board of Trustees for a division of the organization into two bodies of equal rank. The Board replied:

The Board is not unmindful of the wish of the petitioners but does not recommend the organization of two societies of equal rank at this time, but we recommend that a junior society be organized at the opening of the fall term of 1909 under the direction of the Faculty and that this plan have a fair trial. If this arrangement does not prove satisfactory after a fair test, the matter of two societies of equal rank is still open.

Anniversary programs were held regularly with distinguished educators as guest speakers. The chief feature of a regular meeting of the Society was a debate in which Faculty members participated in the early years. At the close of a president's term he was subjected to a twenty-minute period of parliamentary drill based on Roberts' *Rules of Order*.

Because of a large influx of preparatory students, the Keystone Literary Society divided into two equal groups on October 20, 1920: the Franklin-Keystone Society and the Penn-Keystone Society. These societies operated until September 15, 1923. On September 21, 1923, the two societies were dissolved and the Keystone Literary Society was re-organized and continued until May 31, 1926, the time of the discontinuation of the Academy.

### Alumni Association

The initial efforts in forming an Alumni Association were manifest chiefly in members of the Class of 1905. These seniors held several informal meetings, and on June 12, 1906, in response to an

invitation to all the graduates of the College to that date, a business meeting was held for the purpose of devising a plan of organization. The name Elizabethtown College Alumni Association was chosen, membership in which was limited to graduates of the College. An annual meeting of the Association was to convene on Wednesday afternoon of each Commencement Week in business session and for a reunion in the evening. The name Board of Directors was changed to Alumni Council in 1932.

Because of the exacting regulations regarding chaperonage and the sentiment of many of the College constituency on banquets, the Board of Trustees was asked by the Faculty to frame rules regarding alumni reunions. Consequently, the following decision of the Board was made on February 7, 1908:

If such reunions are held we advise that at least one member of the Faculty of Elizabethtown College be a member of the program committee and that everything pertaining to the conducting of such reunions be in harmony with the spirit and principles of Elizabethtown College and the General Brotherhood and that no meetings be held at any summer resorts nor followed by banquets.

In answer to a request to hold an alumni supper, the Board decided on August 10, 1908:

It is not advisable on account of adverse criticism.

The Board, however, on May 19, 1910, voted:

Such suppers might be held provided they be held not later than seven o'clock and that the menu be submitted to the Faculty for approval.

## Our College Times

The first issue of the College publication, Our College Times, appeared on May 4, 1904. The Editor in the first issue stated:

This new paper is now being published in the direct interests of the College. It will be a common medium through which friends of the College will keep in touch with the work and with each other. It is hoped that it may serve a noble purpose in the cause of learning, tend only to the furtherance of the Gospel and true education, and prove a living, acting agent in behalf of Elizabethtown College.

The Editorial Staff follows:

*Editor-in-Chief*

I. N. H. Beahm

*Associate Editors*

D. C. Reber, I. E. Shoop, Elizabeth Myer

*Special Editors*

M. Alverda Stayer, Samuel P. Sumpman

*Associate Business Managers*

J. M. Miller, Isaiah E. Oberholtzer

Many items of interest in this *History of Elizabethtown College* are traceable to the issues of Our College Times, which ran from March 4, 1904, to July, 1922.

## Institutional Policies

*Chaperonage*

The purpose of the College from the beginning was to educate young people under a wholesome Christian atmosphere, and, according to the policies of most church related colleges, the Faculty stood *in loco parentis*, especially of the women students. The Minutes of the Faculty record decisions such as follow:

Students must get permission on leaving rooms during study hours.

Ladies given permission to attend the dedication of the Capitol Building at Harrisburg must be accompanied by a teacher or teachers.

No lady may leave the campus with a gentleman unless accompanied by a regular member of the Faculty.

In going and returning from preaching services in town, lady boarding students shall go in a body accompanied by one or more members of the Faculty.

*Instrumental Music*

During the first decade of the twentieth century no churches of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania used musical instruments in their services. Many benefactors of the College desired it to be operated on the same basis as a local church, and consequently a problem posed itself when the request came from the music teachers at the College and from the Keystone Literary Society for a piano.

On August 14, 1903, the Board of Trustees had a request from students for instruction in piano, and on June 15, 1904, Flora Good, of Virginia, was employed as a teacher of vocal and instrumental music. Before the opening of the College the following September, the Board of Trustees designated Jesse C. Ziegler to purchase instruments. On August 5, 1904, he secured a used organ for thirty-five dollars and a used piano for one hundred and forty dollars. Even though the Board provided a piano for the College, permission for its use in the chapel exercises was refused by the Faculty. On June 11, 1904, the Board of Trustees asked the Administrative Committee to move cautiously concerning the use of a piano in the programs of the Keystone Literary Society. In a few years the College had purchased four pianos. On August 10, 1908, the Board of Trustees voted approval of the use of a piano at the sessions of the Keystone Literary Society.

### *Intercollegiate Athletics*

The attitude of the Church of the Brethren of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania toward intercollegiate athletics is set forth in the *History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*:

It was furthermore decided to extend the privileges of higher education . . . where students would be surrounded by a Christian environment free from atheistical and other influences that tend to make shipwreck of their lives. Withal there existed many good schools, so far as intellectual training was concerned, but upholding wrong ideals and tolerating, if not fostering, pernicious features, such as intercollegiate athletics, hazing, student fraternities and class rushes.

When the request came to the Board of Trustees from students to have match games with outside teams, the Board asked President I. N. H. Beahm to draw up a paper setting forth the policy of the College on intercollegiate athletics. The Board on June 15, 1904, adopted the following report of President Beahm:

*First*, That modern match games of baseball and football are not in accord with Christian virtue and true education.

*Second*, That we favor physical education in every true aspect.

*Third*, That we especially commend Manager J. M. Miller, Captain J. Z. Herr, and all others assisting in having called off a match game which had been arranged for.

*Fourth*, That we are pleased with the spirit of conciliation shown by the town boys.

*Fifth*, That we gladly reiterate our purpose to have Elizabethtown College excel in moral virtue.

*Sixth*, That we cordially invite parents and all friends of Christian education to assist in the reformation of College life along these lines as headed already by leading educators of our day.

This policy was adhered to in the main by the student body for several decades. Individual students, however, did play baseball with outside teams clandestinely, and football was played with several colleges without the approval of the Faculty.

When Rider Hall was erected in 1906, provision was made for physical exercise in the basement of the building in spite of two large iron pillars in the center of the room. Gymnastics and basketball furnished entertainment for spectators crowded on a narrow stairway leading to the playing floor and on a small rostrum on the side of the room.

In 1910 football was ruled out as a game not to be played on the College campus.

But baseball was the leading sport in the early years of the College. Because the College Trustees frowned upon intercollegiate sports being played on the College campus, a number of students played baseball as members of teams from Elizabethtown, May-



First Baseball Team 1905

town, Columbia and Hummelstown. The College, however, had its own team as early as 1905. The lineup was:

John Z. Herr, catcher  
Elmer R. Ruhl, first base  
C. M. Neff, second base  
Henry K. Eby, third base  
L. B. Earhart, short stop  
Ralph W. Schlosser, pitcher  
John M. Miller, center field  
Jacob Z. Herr, right field  
David L. Landis, left field

The following intercollegiate sports were sanctioned by the Board of Trustees in the years designated:

Basketball 1928, Baseball 1928, Tennis 1928, Soccer, 1937, Wrestling 1954, Cross Country 1956, Field Hockey 1956.

The general spirit of the institution at this time with regard to intercollegiate athletics was clearly set forth in the words of Charles W. Eliot as quoted by a guest speaker:

The breaking up of college work for the individual student by frequent absence to play games at a distance from Cambridge is an evil which ought to be checked. It is a greater evil than formerly, now that intercollegiate games take place all the year round.

### Erection of Memorial Hall

The growth of the student body by the end of the fifth year of the College called for additional space which the Board supplied by an additional building. A committee composed of S. H. Hertzler and I. N. H. Beahm was appointed to investigate the cost of a second building. On April 7, 1905, revised drawings presented to the Board were approved and solicitation of funds was begun, and by April 26, 1905, over twelve thousand dollars was reported in cash and pledges. A building site near the first building was selected, and a building committee consisting of Jesse C. Ziegler, Joseph H. Rider and I. N. H. Beahm was appointed. The cost of construction was \$14,347.45; pledges unpaid at the completion of the erection of the



*Rider Memorial Hall  
Dedicated March 4, 1906*

building caused the Board of Trustees to make a loan from a bank. This building was dedicated on March 4, 1906.

A committee of two, T. F. Imler and S. H. Hertzler, was appointed to select names for both buildings. The name Rider Memorial Hall was suggested for the second building because of the generous donation of Joseph H. Rider toward the cost of the building. This modest donor did not desire his name to appear on the stone prepared to contain the name of the building. Hence the name given to the edifice was merely Memorial Hall. His wish was respected during his lifetime, but after his death the name given the building was Rider Memorial Hall.

Daniel Heisey, a local builder, was paid twenty-five dollars for preparing the plans and specifications of this building.

Strange as it may seem, the first building to be erected was the second one to be named. In the Board meeting of March 5, 1906, the first building erected was named Alpha Hall.

The bell placed in the tower of Rider Memorial Hall was presented by a foundry man, Fred B. Zook, of Martinsburg, Pa. This bell tower was the scene of many pranks and midnight alarms perpetrated by energetic youth of the early years of the College.

The following incident involving the old Chapel bell is recorded in *Our College Times* of January 16, 1935:

In the spring of 1911 rumors spread over the campus that Professor J. G. Meyer would soon be married. . . . At midweek, Professor Meyer left the campus for the ceremony which was held in Brooklyn, New York. In keeping with old tradition, the students prepared a rousing welcome for the newlyweds. . . . An orchestra equipped with home-made instruments provided the music for the night-shirt dance around a huge bonfire. To top it all the Chapel bell pealed forth the joyful welcome. . . . The ringing of the bell and the towering flames seemed quite real to the town's residents and the fire department went to investigate. The fire laddies almost reached the scene of the celebration before they were apprised of its nature. Somewhat insulted, the older members of the department demanded an apology and the collegians were forced to eat "humble pie." Worst of all, the ring-leaders of the disturbance were arraigned before a Church Council and required to give a strict account of their misdemeanor.

Indeed the spirit of youth of this period of the history of the College compares favorably with that of our present day.

It may be of interest to know that on November 27, 1908, the Board appointed a committee: S. H. Hertzler, S. G. Graybill and D. C. Reber, to receive plans and estimates for a "new building." This committee confined its efforts in devising a plan for an addition to Alpha Hall, but on February 5, 1909, the committee recommended deferring the placing of a wing to Alpha Hall for the present. The Committee was discharged and fortunately the symmetrical and artistic design of the architect was preserved in a building so well constructed.

### Early Curriculum

The courses of study prescribed in the first catalog aimed primarily at assisting students in completing a four-year high school

course and preparing prospective teachers for the examinations given by county superintendents so that these students could begin teaching on a Provisional Certificate.

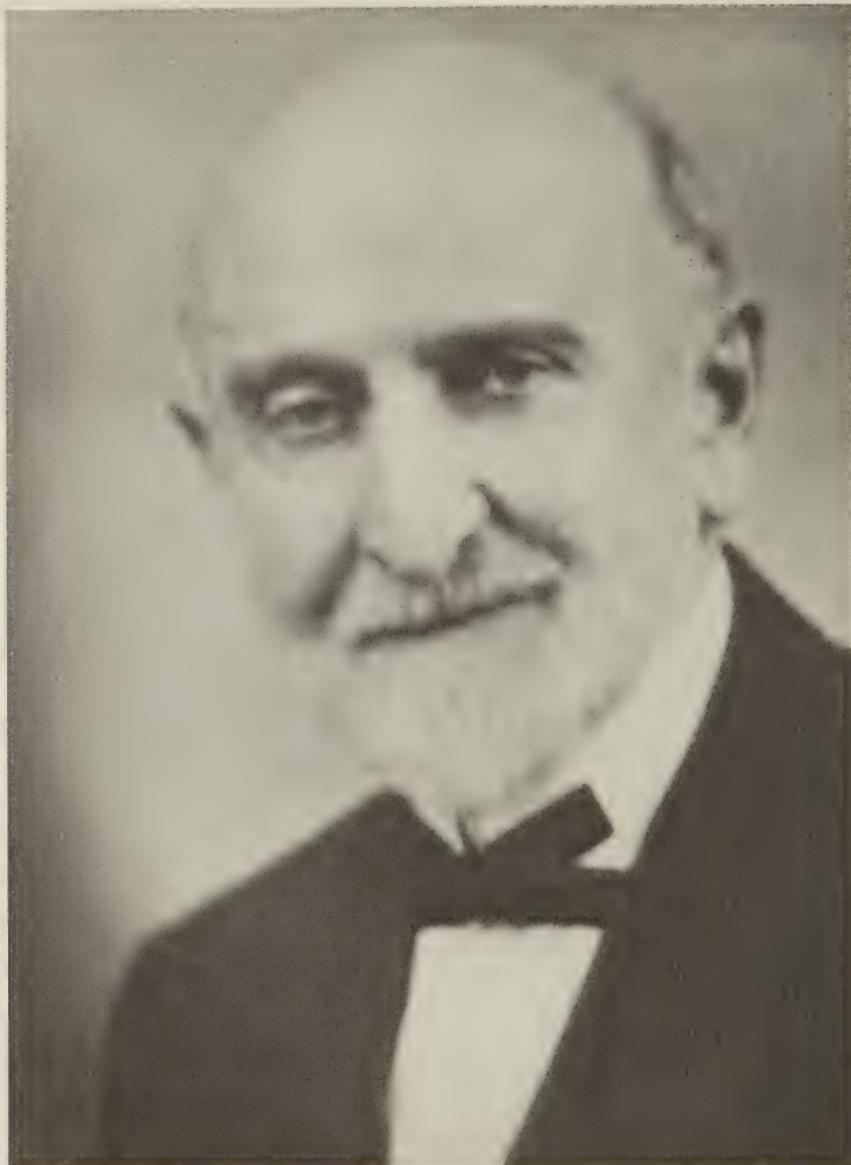
The College opened with four courses offered in the academic department: a Teachers' Course, a Literary Course, a Scientific Course, and a Classical Course. A Bible department offered a two-year course and a special Bible Term of four weeks. A Commercial Course, as well as an Agricultural Course, was envisioned.

The second year presented the following offerings in five departments: Literary, Teacher Training, Academic, Commercial, and Bible.

To the curriculum of the fifth year a Music Department offering instruction in vocal and instrumental music was added. The following year, 1905-1906, a second teacher was employed in this department.

Because of a competent Faculty in the field of commercial education, the largest classes by 1904-1905 were in this department. The graduates of the Class of 1905 numbered twenty-three students in four departments and had twelve seniors in Commercial education. In the year 1905-1906, a two-year course in agriculture was offered but up to 1910-1911 only one person enrolled for the course.

The College, during the first ten years of its existence, moved in the direction of teacher training and commercial education.



DANIEL C. REBER, 1872-1962  
*Acting Principal of College, 1902-1903*  
*Principal of College, 1903-1904*  
*Acting President of College, 1908-1910*  
*President of College, 1910-1918*

## CHAPTER FOUR

# Administration of D. C. Reber | 1910-1918

### Change in the Presidency

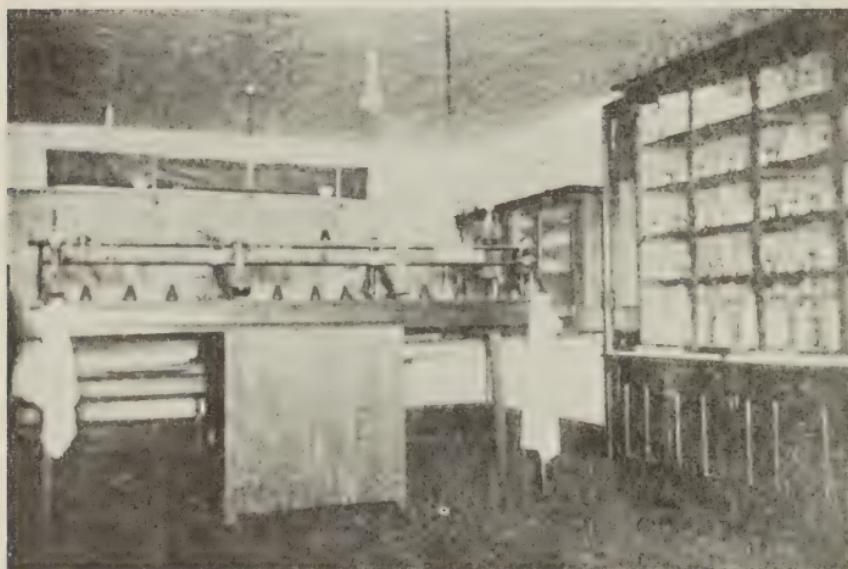
WHEN I. N. H. BEAHM resigned the presidency on June 30, 1909, the Board of Trustees had little difficulty in finding a successor. At the beginning of the College year 1902-1903 D. C. Reber was secured as Acting Principal, and for the year 1903-1904 he was elected Principal of Elizabethtown College. For the next three years he served as Vice-President, and from 1908 to 1910 he was the Acting President of the College. During the years 1910-1918 he was President of the College and H. K. Ober, Vice-President.

During the years preceding his election to the presidency of the College D. C. Reber evidenced his ability to organize a curriculum designed for prospective teachers and for students aiming at the completion of a four-year college course. In addition to his administrative ability he was an inspiring teacher in a number of courses of study. He occupied not a "chair" but a "settee." In his dealing with the problems of students he manifested an integrity and an understanding of youth that won for him their confidence and respect. With such a background the Board of Trustees unanimously elected him to the position of President of Elizabethtown College.

During his administration a number of significant events occurred of which only the most outstanding can be treated in this *History of Elizabethtown College*.

## Science Building Projected

Because of limited facilities in Alpha Hall for laboratory work in science courses, pressure was brought upon the Board of Trustees for a science building. In two meetings of the Board, one in 1915 and one in 1916, plans were deferred to a later meeting of the Board. In July 15, 1916, J. G. Meyer, teacher of science courses, presented a sketch of plans for a science hall, and after considerable discussion a committee comprising J. W. G. Hershey, J. G. Meyer



*Science Laboratory in Alpha Hall, 1902*

and S. H. Hertzler was selected to present more definite plans at a future meeting of the Board.

This committee brought to the Board on August 29, 1916, a detailed floor plan of a building to cost approximately \$50,000. Final disposition of the report was deferred to a future meeting of the Board, and the committee bringing the report was asked to proceed with a canvass for funds. The Board also voted not to accept the proposed plans of an architect for the present. The committee experienced difficulty in finding canvassers for the project, but on

February 11, 1918, they reported that \$1500 had thus far been contributed. This project was taken up by the Gibble clan and resulted in the erection of the Gibble Science Building during the year 1927-1928 and was dedicated on May 26, 1928. The details of the construction of this building are stated in Chapter VI of this *History*.

### Transfer of the College to the Church

One of the most significant events in the administration of D. C. Reber was the transfer of the ownership and management of the College from the contributors of the funds for the establishment of the College to the Church of the Brethren of the Eastern and Southern Districts of Pennsylvania.

From the beginning of the College there was much concern that the faith and practices of the Church of the Brethren be maintained in the newly-formed institution of higher learning. Consequently many conservative leaders of the church felt that Elizabethtown College should be different from the other colleges in eastern Pennsylvania. Instrumental music in the churches was frowned upon; intercollegiate sports were considered detrimental to Christian education; games of chance; the use of liquor and tobacco; and the practice of hazing—all of these were held to be inconsistent with the highest type of student life. In the light of these views held by the majority of the church constituency of the College, the Trustees elected by the donors of the College were convinced that in order to preserve these conservative views, the College should be owned and controlled by the Church.

Consequently on April 9, 1913, the following query came to the District Conference in Ephrata, Pennsylvania:

The Ephrata Church asks District Meeting of 1913 of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to consider the advisability of taking over Elizabethtown College as the property of the church, and to appoint a committee to consult with the present owners or their representatives. Said committee to report to the District Meeting of 1914.

This query was unanimously passed and a committee elected by ballot to represent the District in its conference with representatives from the College.

*Committee:* John Herr, Frank P. Cassel, J. H. Longenecker.  
This matter was discussed in a meeting of the Board of Trustees

on July 22, 1913, and the following committee was appointed to confer with the committee from the District: Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler, D. C. Reber, H. K. Ober, S. G. Graybill, Amos G. Longenecker.

Interest in this proposal to take over Elizabethtown College as the property of the Church was also manifested in the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania. The District Meeting Minutes of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for 1914 record a meeting at the College on January 24, 1914, of a committee of the Trustees and Faculty of the College with a joint committee of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania. They discussed the question of church ownership of the College in "a friendly and helpful way." This joint committee concluded:

*First*, We believe that the movement may be productive of much good to the Church and to the College.

*Second*, We recommend that the district consider this proposition for at least one year with the view of acquainting the people with the general educational movements in the Brotherhood, and with the proposition of Elizabethtown College in particular.

This joint committee was composed of John Herr, F. P. Cassel J. H. Longenecker, and Arthur J. Culler and D. W. Kurtz from the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania.

On February 17, 1914, the Board of Trustees passed a recommendation to the effect that Elizabethtown College be taken over by the Church and be under the supervision of the General Education Board of the Church of the Brethren.

At the District Conference of April 14, 1914, the joint committee of the two districts set forth in a paper the reasons for taking over the College as property of the Church. This paper with the recommendations of the meeting at the College on January 24, 1914, was read and discussed. The Minutes fail to record the action of the District Meeting, but later minutes indicate that the whole matter was spread on the minutes for further study. The minutes of the above meetings, however, also indicate that the Trustees of the College

asked the districts of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania to consider the proposition of taking over the College as the property of the Church.

The Trustees on February 29, 1915, voted

to take steps to have Southeastern Pennsylvania and Southern Pennsylvania express their attitude toward the proposition of taking over Elizabethtown College as property of the Church.

Jesse C. Ziegler was appointed to represent the Board at the District Meeting in Southeastern Pennsylvania, and Jesse C. Ziegler, S. H. Hertzler and J. H. Keller at the District Meeting of Southern Pennsylvania.

The District Meeting of Eastern Pennsylvania in April, 1915, discussed the proposal set forth in the District Meeting of 1914. The following action was taken:

On motion it was decided that we defer the consideration of taking over Elizabethtown College as the property of the Church until our next District Meeting and that the Board of Trustees of the College make an effort to ascertain the attitude of the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania on the movement and also find out what sentiment exists on the proposition in the Southern District of Pennsylvania.

On January 11, 1916, Jesse C. Ziegler reported to the Board of Trustees that the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania

did not give much expression as to their views on becoming part owners of the College and voted to defer action until the Eastern District of Pennsylvania takes its final action.

Jesse C. Ziegler and S. H. Hertzler stated that the Southern District of Pennsylvania "was very favorable to the proposition." They also reported that a committee of two: H. H. Hollinger, Dover, Pa., and D. K. Trimmer, York, Pa., were appointed to represent their District to confer with the Trustees.

At this meeting of the Board a committee of five were appointed to outline a proposition to transfer the College to the state districts of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania and to submit it to a later meeting of the Board.

The plan is to be voted on by the contributors when it is passed by the Board. The committee: J. W. G. Hershey, S. H. Hertzler, Jesse C. Ziegler, D. C. Reber and H. K. Ober.

On February 16, 1916, the committee appointed to draft a plan of transfer reported to the Board:

We the Trustees of Elizabethtown College acting for the contributors have unanimously agreed to transfer the said institution to the state district, or districts, that are willing to share in its ownership on the following conditions:

*First*, That the indebtedness of the College shall be fully provided for at the time of such transfer.

*Second*, That the several state districts shall assume control through a Board of Trustees, twelve in number, on the first day of January following the election of the full Board.

*Third*, That the Board of Trustees shall consist of eight members from the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, at least two of whom shall be from the Church in which the College is located; and four from the Southern District of Pennsylvania. However in the event of the South-eastern District of Pennsylvania participating in the management and control of the College then the distribution shall be as follows: Eastern Pennsylvania seven, two from the Church in which the College is located; Southern Pennsylvania, four; and Southeastern Pennsylvania, one.

*Fourth*, All the trustees shall be elected by the several state districts in which they are to serve by the delegates at District Meeting from nominations made by the elders in Elders' Meeting, and they shall serve three years except those first elected whose time of service shall be arranged so as to bring about above rotation as regularly as possible.

*Fifth*, The duties of this Board shall be the same as those now outlined in the constitution of the College.

*Sixth*, While the Trustees have entire control of the College financially and otherwise, yet they shall not have the authority to levy or assess any taxes upon the churches without the consent of District Meetings.

The Board voted to send this plan of transfer to the coming District Meetings.

The District Meeting of 1916 was devoted to a full discussion of the entire plan of transfer of the College to the Church. The first part of the consideration dealt with the sentiment of the South-eastern District of Pennsylvania and of Southern Pennsylvania relative to the transfer of the College. Jesse C. Ziegler and Amos G. Longenecker of the Board reported that the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania was strongly in favor of Juniata College and unlikely to take part in the ownership of the College. The Southern District of Pennsylvania showed much encouragement and ap-

pointed a committee at their last District Meeting to confer with the Board of Trustees on the proposal. The second part of the meeting dealt with the report of the joint committee of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania, which report had been spread on the Minutes in 1914. This joint report was adopted.

At this juncture a communication from D. W. Kurtz, Chairman of the General Education Board of the Church of the Brethren, was read. It dealt with the recommendation of that Board that

all our colleges should be turned over to one or more state districts that will then own and control them.

The communication further stated that the colleges now under the ownership and control of the Church are fully in accord with the arrangement.

The third and most important item in the proposal of transfer was the conditions of transfer. The plan of transfer passed upon by the Board of Trustees on February 16, 1916, was next considered. The delegates voted to defer final action for one year and that the entire report of the Board be spread on the Minutes.

Following the District Meeting of 1916 up to the District Meeting of 1917 there was considerable discussion in the churches on the transfer of the College to the Church. Much sentiment was in opposition to the need of higher education. Many felt the Church would assume a financial burden it could not bear. Some held that colleges were a detriment to the conservative policies and practices of the Church. But the time came for the die to be cast.

It was at the District Meeting on April 25, 1917, that the plan of transfer was brought before the delegates and much debate ensued. When the vote on taking over the College on the plan submitted by the Board of Trustees in April ,1916, was taken forty-six voted for the proposal and thirty voted against it. Before the vote was taken the sixth section on levying an assessment was amended as follows:

Such assessment by District Meeting shall not be binding upon any local church unless ratified by such church.

Thus after several years of deliberation and debate the transfer of the College to the Church was effected.

At the next District Meeting on April 24, 1918, Southern Pennsylvania was reported to have voted in favor of joining in the owner-

ship and control of the College, but the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania refrained from joining in the ownership of the College. Consequently, it remained for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to elect eight trustees and for the Southern District of Pennsylvania to elect four, the term of office to begin on January 1, 1919. The delegates of the Eastern District balloted for trustees from nominations made by the Elders of the District. The result follows:

*For a term of three years*

J. W. G. Hershey, Jesse C. Ziegler, I. W. Taylor

*For a term of two years*

S. H. Hertzler, John M. Gibble

*For a term of one year*

David Kilhefner, H. B. Yoder, E. M. Wenger

Southern Pennsylvania in October, 1918, elected the following:

*For three years*

J. H. Keller

*For two years*

C. R. Oellig, Aaron S. Baugher

*For one year*

Charles L. Baker

On January 2, 1919, the Board of Trustees adopted the following resolution, "in case it is needed":

*Whereas*, the contributors of Elizabethtown College, who elected the trustees of the College, have by their vote at a meeting held at the College on February 16, 1916, transferred and given over to the Eastern and Southern Districts of the Church of the Brethren said College and

*Whereas*, said Districts have in pursuance to such action elected a new Board of Trustees,

*Now therefore, Be It Resolved*, That the President and Secretary of Elizabethtown College execute and deliver to the Trustees representing the Eastern and Southern Districts of the Church of the Brethren a deed for all real estate now held by them for said College.



*Elizabethtown College Trustees, 1923*

Rear row, l. to r., John H. Gingrich, Aaron S. Baugher, Harry B. Yoder, Rufus P. Bucher, Charles L. Baker.

Front row, l. to r., I. W. Taylor, \*Amos G. Longenecker, Samuel H. Hertzler, David Kilhefner, John M. Gibble.

\* Deceased March 26, 1923.

### Annual Bible Term

The annual Bible terms at the College were continued during the years of the administration of D. C. Reber. From an original term of four weeks the Bible Term was reduced to three weeks in 1904, to two weeks in 1906, to ten days in 1911, and to seven days in 1916, by actions of the Board of Trustees. These sessions brought the leaders in the Church of the Brethren to the campus and thus helped to create sentiment among the churches for the work of the College. Men and women of spiritual stature spoke to overflowing audiences in the College Chapel, among whom were: J. Kurtz Miller, S. H. Hertzler, G. M. Lauver, Galen B. Royer, William M. Howe, F. H. Crumpacker, Kathryn C. Ziegler, Wilbur B. Stover, A. C. Wieand, and E. B. Hoff.

During this administration many Bible Institutes of one or two days were conducted in the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania by D. C. Reber, H. K. Ober, J. G. Meyer, H. H. Nye, and R. W. Schlosser. Two Faculty members at first held from four to five sessions during a weekend in a local church, and later only one person conducted the institute. The local Bible Institutes helped to unite the College and the Church in their venture in higher education.

### Faculty and Curriculum

When D. C. Reber began his term as President of Elizabethtown College for the year 1910-1911 he had sixteen members on the Faculty. In response to a petition from the student body for "a classical teacher" the Board of Trustees on August 19, 1909, elected Mary Markley as an instructor in English, Latin, and French. She was a scholar of distinction, possessed a congenial personality, and was a teacher who won the admiration and respect of all who sat in her classes the two years of her sojourn at Elizabethtown College. On August 30, 1909 ,the Board sensing the danger of hiring too many student teachers made the following decision:

In order to raise the standard of our teaching force we recommend caution in the employment of student teachers.

In 1907 the Bible Department was strengthened by the addition of L. Margaret Haas, Earl Eshelman, and Lydia Stauffer in 1910, to its Faculty. L. D. Rose was an assistant teacher in German in 1908-1909 and 1909-1910. Jacob S. Harley was added to the Faculty in 1910-1911 as an instructor in German. The years 1910 to 1919 presented a number of new instructors in various departments. Among these were: J. Z. Herr, Principal of the commercial department and Treasurer of the College; Kathryn Miller, Mary Elizabeth Miller, Jennie Via and Loré Breinsholtz, instructors in music; Laban W. Leiter and A. C. Baugher in the science department; R. W. Schlosser in English; H. H. Nye in history; I. Z. Hackman, Mildred Bonebrake, J. H. Fries, and H. A. Via in business subjects; Irwin Hoffer in mathematics; I. J. Kreider in geography; and Laura Landis in art.

At the beginning of the administration of D. C. Reber the curriculum was so arranged as to meet the needs principally of stu-

dents desiring to teach, to complete a four-year high school course, or to receive a commercial education. The curriculum comprised an Academic Department offering a general Preparatory Course, an English Scientific Course, and a College Preparatory Course; a Pedagogical Department with a course leading to the degree Bachelor of Pedagogy; a Commercial Department offering four courses; an Industrial Department offering a course in Agriculture; a Music



*Faculty, 1911-1912*

*Rear row, l. to r., Jacob S. Harley, Kathryn Miller, Laban W. Leiter, Walter K. Gish, Leah Sheaffer, Charles Resser, Ralph W. Schlosser, Anna Woglemuth, Isaac J. Kreider, Jacob Z. Herr.*

*Front row, l. to r., Jacob G. Meyer, Elizabeth Myer, President D. C. Reber, H. K. Ober, Lydia Stauffer.*

Department giving courses in Voice Culture and Piano; and a Bible Department with two courses. In 1910 the Trustees authorized a course in sewing to be offered. In 1915 a course in art was also listed.

The largest enrollment in the early years of the administration of D. C. Reber was in the English Scientific Course and in the Commercial Courses. By the end of his administration the largest number of students were enrolled in the Pedagogical Course with the students in business courses ranking second in number. The College was actually becoming a teachers' college and was rated high

in this field by educators. Even though the College was not even accredited by the State Department of Public Instruction, a number of students enrolled in the four-year college course. In 1911 the first two students to be graduated in this course were designated in their diplomas as "worthy of the degree of Bachelor in Liberal Arts." These two students were L. D. Rose, Rummel, Pa., and R. W. Schlosser, Schoeneck, Pa. By transfer of credits these early students in the Classical Course were entered on probation at Ursinus College, Franklin and Marshall College, or Juniata College, and upon satisfactory completion of courses taken there in summer courses or in regular residence for a year were granted the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Because of the influx of students from the farm, an attempt was made to develop an agriculture department on the campus. H. K. Ober was especially interested in this project. The Board of Trustees actually voted to investigate the chicken business for the College, and on July 20, 1911, learned that the committee appointed

to proceed with the chicken business according to their best judgment had purchased some chickens and had erected a poultry house.

A large planting of fruit trees was made on the College tract as a training ground for students in agriculture. But limited facilities and equipment militated against the project. Up to 1917 only three persons completed the prescribed course. They were Harry B. Longenecker, J. Oram Leiter, and Daniel Hoffman.

Considerable growth was manifest in the commercial department. In addition to the three courses offered up to 1916, a banking course was outlined for the year 1917-1918. The Bible department also offered in 1915-1916 courses of two and three years. Under the efficient work of B. F. Wampler and his wife Flora Good Wampler, Leah Sheaffer, Loré Brenisholtz, Jennie Via, Kathryn Miller and others, advanced work was offered in voice and piano in two and four-year courses. Oratorios and concerts given by the music department drew large audiences on and off campus.

### Intercollegiate Debate

During the early years of the College the policy of the relationship with other colleges on certain issues was: Be ye separate. Con-

sequently there was no intercollegiate debating prior to February 21, 1924.

On September 20, 1909, a petition from the students asking for permission to organize a debating team was presented to the Faculty. The petition was granted on condition that the meetings of the debaters do not conflict with meetings of the organizations already formed, and that the constitution and by-laws be presented to the Faculty for approval. But this group evidently did not organize.

On January 8, 1917, a call for a triangular debate with Blue Ridge College and Daleville College was considered by the Faculty and referred to the Board of Trustees for a decision on policy. The answer of the Board was that the Faculty should use their judgment in the matter. But conflicts in dates called off the debate and the Faculty took no action in the matter. At this same meeting of the Faculty, permission was refused to the seniors to debate with the Brownstown High School lest a precedent be established.

The Committee on Literary Societies made the following report to the Faculty on October 1, 1917, on the question of intercollegiate debates:

We have carefully considered the advisability of entering upon intercollegiate debating contests and are unable to recommend same because of the fact that all students eligible are already overcrowded with work. The committee suggests, however, that all students eligible to such work concentrate their efforts on oratorical contests now held so that the standards of these contests may be maintained or advanced.

### Intercollegiate Athletics

Opposition to intercollegiate athletics was greater than that to intercollegiate debating. As early as December 1, 1909, the Faculty voted to unite with the Board of Trustees in expressing disapproval of football as a college game, and on September 17, 1910, the Trustees decided

to rule out all football games whether local or otherwise.

This decision has been maintained to the time of this writing, possibly because of the many serious injuries resulting from the game, the small size of the College until recent years, and the lack of finances to equip a team.

Basketball also had problems in the early years of the sport on the campus. On September 15, 1910, a request to organize a basketball team was granted by the Faculty. But on September 17, 1910, the Trustees decided that the games be closely supervised so as to cause no offense. Accordingly the Faculty

designated the boundary lines of the physical culture room in Rider Memorial Hall; required gentlemen players on one side to be properly marked by a sash, and the ladies the same; ruled that ladies and gentlemen students may witness each other's games not oftener than one stated period per week; allowed applauding by gently clapping the hands; and ruled that only regular members of the Faculty shall be eligible to serve as referees.

Basketball players of both sexes wore regular clothing in the games, and even in the physical education classes gymnasium suits were not permitted as the decision of the Board of Trustees on January 11, 1917, indicates:

One account of probable adverse criticism on the part of the constituency of the College and added expense to the students we do not consider it wise to adopt gymnasium suits.

### Chapel Mottoes

Indelibly stamped upon the minds of students of this era, and later years as well, were the mottoes on the Chapel Wall in Rider Memorial Hall. On July 29, 1915, the Board of Trustees voted to have a motto placed in Alpha Hall and also one over the rostrum in the Chapel in Rider Memorial Hall. The implementation of this decision was entrusted to D. C. Reber and H. K. Ober. No motto was ever placed in Alpha Hall. The motto selected and placed on the arch above the pupit in Rider Memorial Hall in large letters was:

### MAKE JESUS KING

On the slate panel switchboard in the front wall of the College Chapel a second motto appeared in chalk on the slate panel: EDUCATE FOR SERVICE. This latter motto was repeatedly refurbished in beautiful lettering by J. Z. Herr and Isaac Hackman. Students were confronted with these suggestive mottoes in daily chapel services. No one can measure the results of these great chal-

lenges, and there is no doubt that many students imbibed these significant truths as they pondered them in daily chapel services.

### Instrumental Music

During the years 1905 to 1910 the foundations were laid for a four-year course in piano by Flora Good Wampler. The Catalog for the year 1917-1918 lists the names of thirty-five students enrolled in this course. The first graduate in this four-year piano course was Leah Sheaffer, Bareville, Pa., in the Class of 1908. In the rendition of cantatas in the Heisey Auditorium in Elizabethtown, no piano accompaniment was permitted because churches of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania did not use the piano or organ in their services. Consequently, all programs were rendered a cappella.

In January, 1910, the Board discussed the use of mandolins and musical instruments other than the piano in the Keystone Literary Society. The decision was:

Inasmuch as there is considerable sentiment in the Church of the Brethren in the Eastern and Southern Districts of Pennsylvania against all musical instruments, we think it best not to use any other instruments than those now in use.

On July 24, 1917, the Board of Trustees decided:

A piano might be placed in the Chapel in Rider Memorial Hall for practice, and used during special occasions such as literary society meetings, musicals, etc.; however, it is not to be used during chapel exercises, religious services, or during commencement programs.

It is very evident from these decisions of the Board, implemented by the Faculty, that an effort was made to conduct the College in harmony with the practices of the Church in Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania. However, by the year 1910 the College had purchased six pianos.

As late as December, 1920, the Board of Trustees, in answer to a request from the literary societies for the use of the violin and cornet, decided:

Out of respect for a large part of our constituency and good contributors, and the welfare of the College we do not see our way clear to depart from our former decisions.

## Homerian Literary Society

The College catalog for 1911-1912 contains the first reference to the Homerian Literary Society:

The Homerian Society is organized primarily for students in the Classical Course, and for seniors in the Pedagogical Course and in



*Homerian Literary Society*

the Piano Course. Members of the Faculty also may identify themselves with the Society so long as the membership is small. The organization aims to foster a higher grade of literary work than that of the Keystone Society and lays special emphasis on argumentation, oratory, literary criticism, and parliamentary practice. The *Critique* is the organ of this Society.

Permission for the organization of an advanced literary society was granted by the Board of Trustees on January 31, 1911, on receiving a request for such a literary society, from the Faculty. The

first session was held on June 10, 1911. C. M. Neff presided; J. G. Meyer served as chaplain; Martha Martin, R. W. Schlosser, L. D. Rose, and Daisy Rider furnished papers and discussions; and Mary E. Markley, a member of the Faculty, delivered an address on "Some Things Worthwhile" and D. C. Reber served as Critic of the program.

L. D. Rose in an article on the work of the Society wrote:

Throughout its history the Society gave its members a high type of training in debate, composition, ease on the public platform, poise in presiding at meetings, and other unmentioned benefits that participation in a college literary society affords.

Because of the declining interest in the work of the Society, it ceased to function and gave its last program on October 11, 1928.

### Miscellaneous Regulations

The use of tobacco was forbidden in the buildings and on the grounds as stated in the Catalog for 1908-1909, and this position was strengthened as seen in the Catalog for 1917-1918:

The use of tobacco is forbidden in the buildings and on the grounds. Any student persisting in the use of tobacco shall be subject to suspension. Students who are users of tobacco in any form will not be graduated from the school.

This regulation was based upon the position of the Church of the Brethren in the election of delegates to District and Annual Conferences. Only those

who did not use, raise, buy, or sell tobacco could represent local churches at such conferences.

From the beginning of the College the use of liquor on the grounds was strictly forbidden.

The Catalog for 1908-1909 states:

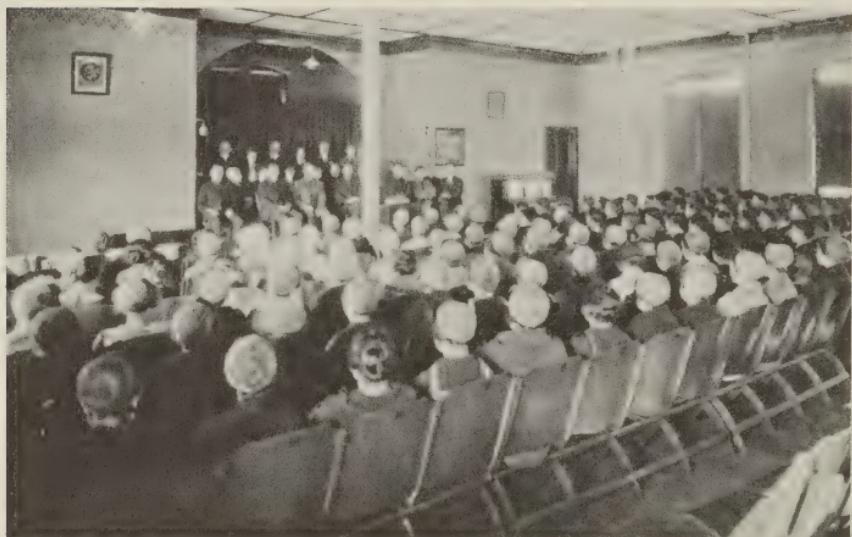
All chance gaming, such as card playing, etc., is forbidden in the institution.

The same Catalog emphasizes phases of Christian conduct:

Since the physical and brutal modern forms of introduction practised in many institutions are absolutely foreign to proper culture and

Christian virtue, all students are expected to treat new students and each other in a cordial and Christian manner. No form of hazing will be tolerated.

Rudeness and boisterous conduct are considered foreign to a true lady and gentleman.



*Chapel Service 1922*

### **Religious Exercises**

The Catalogs of Elizabethtown College from the first edition in 1900 set forth the importance of moral character in the education of a student. The following statement is found in all the Catalogs from the year 1907-1908, and including the years of the administration of President D. C. Reber:

Elizabethtown College stands for the education of the whole man. Moral character and Christian manhood and womanhood are esteemed more important results in education than physical soundness or

thorough scholarship. Hence abundant religious exercises are afforded and the high moral and religious tone of the school furnishes a favorable environment for the moral welfare and the spiritual growth of the students.

All regular students are required to attend the chapel services held each morning of the school week. Students whose parents have conscientious scruples against their attendance at these services may be excused upon written application to the Faculty.

Boarding students were required to attend preaching services at the College each Lord's day, Wednesday evening prayer meeting at the College, and attendance at Sunday School either at the Church of the Brethren in Elizabethtown, at an outpost Sunday School, or at the College.

Students wishing to attend Sunday School at the church of their choice were granted standing permission to do so by filing a written request of parents or guardian with the preceptor or preceptress.

### Tributes Paid to President Reber

The work of President D. C. Reber in his relation to the Board of Trustees is set forth in the following resolution passed by the Board on July 3, 1918:

The Trustees of Elizabethtown College wish to use this opportunity to give public expression of their appreciation of the invaluable services of President D. C. Reber during his incumbency. Never was a request of the Board of Trustees refused or slighted; the most diligent and painstaking effort was made on his part to carry out in every detail the decisions of the Board.

His recommendations to the Board were always presented in the most courteous manner and in all these years there never was a strained relation between him and the Board.

While his decision to change his field of labor was reluctantly accepted, it is a source of satisfaction that only the kindest feelings and good wishes of the Board go with him and his family to their new home.

Our prayer is that his untiring devotion to any cause that he espouses and the very close study and attention he gives to every detail of his work will find a hearty response at Manchester College.

The members of the Faculty also set forth their tribute to President D. C. Reber:

We regret that we are losing you as a leader. Some of us have been associated with you in the work here but a short time and others for many years; but the longer we have been with you the more we respected you, the more fully we gave you our confidence. But you will be glad to know that we appreciated your thoroughness, your executive ability, your absolute dependableness and your sterling character which has stood the test of time. No one has for a moment doubted your full devotion to the cause for which Elizabethtown College stands.

You are going to a new field of activity where you will prove yourself all that you have been here. You will be a blessing to every young man and woman whom you will meet. We wish you all the happiness and success possible for any one to have through all the coming years. With our farewell words we blend our prayers that the God of all grace may comfort and bless you in the discharge of your duties and crown you as one of the faithful.

After President D. C. Reber announced his resignation to the student body they passed the following resolutions:

That we express our sincere appreciation of his efforts on our behalf.

That we thus express our heartfelt regret in losing so devoted a friend, so able a teacher, and so worthy a President.

That we appreciate the expression of his future interest in Elizabethtown College and in return we wish him a career of equal or greater success in the future, and also extend to his family our best wishes.

The Alumni Association also voiced its tribute:

We the Alumni Association of Elizabethtown College wish to express our deepest appreciation to President D. C. Reber for the service he rendered to our Alma Mater during the past sixteen years. We have been inspired by him as an instructor, we have been cheered by him as a friend, and our lives have been enriched by his association with us. . . . We have appreciated his administrative ability, his teaching power, and his unselfish devotion to duty.

Although we regret our loss, we are glad that he is leaving with a continued interest in our Alma Mater. We extend to him our best wishes in his future educational career. May his life touch and influence many more young lives to the realization of the highest and noblest manhood and womanhood. The influence of his life shall re-

main in our memories and we shall always endeavor to promote the interests to which he consecrated his life.

In June, 1957, Elizabethtown College conferred upon Past President D. C. Reber the honorary degree, Doctor of the Humanities (L.H.D.).



HENRY K. OBER, 1878-1939  
*President of College, 1918-1921*  
*President of College, 1924-January 1, 1928*

## CHAPTER FIVE

# Administrations of H. K. Ober and J. G. Meyer

1918-1928

### H. K. Ober—Early Years, 1918-1921

WITH D. C. Reber's acceptance of a professorship at Manchester College, Indiana, beginning with the fall semester in 1918, the Board of Trustees on February 11, 1918, unanimously elected H. K. Ober, President of the College; R. W. Schlosser, Vice President; and I. W. Taylor, Business Manager. From 1904 to 1911 H. K. Ober had served as Teacher and Acting Treasurer and Business Manager of the College in trying times. During the presidency of D. C. Reber he served as Vice President and taught courses in biological science, agriculture, and surveying. At the time of his election to the presidency he had received the degree Master of Pedagogy in 1910 from Millersville State Normal School and the B. S. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1918.

On July 19, 1920, President Ober requested a leave of absence to take up further graduate study. The Board of Trustees granted this request "for one or two years." To fill this vacancy J. G. Meyer was elected Vice President on August 22, 1920, because Vice President R. W. Schlosser was off campus in the Jesse C. Ziegler Endowment Campaign. For the year 1920-1921 President Ober was given the privilege of taking work at Franklin and Marshall College while doing some teaching at Elizabethtown College and delivering his lectures on *Orange Blossoms* and *Child Rights* among the churches.



JACOB G. MEYER, 1884-1951  
*President of College, 1921-1924*

### Administration of J. G. Meyer, 1921-1924

On August 22, 1920, Vice President R. W. Schlosser asked for a leave of absence for graduate study at Columbia University. This was granted for the year 1920-1921. With President Ober attending the International Sunday School Convention in Tokyo, Japan, and R. W. Schlosser at Columbia University, the Board of Trustees elected J. G. Meyer as Second Vice President and asked him to serve as Chairman of the Faculty in the absence of President Ober. This arrangement was followed until President Ober resigned the presidency of the College on March 8, 1921. J. G. Meyer was also requested by the Board of Trustees at this meeting to take the place of H. K. Ober on all the committees on which he was serving. The Minutes of the Board state:

For the remainder of the school year 1920-1921 the administration of the College is to be in the hands of a committee of five members of the Faculty. This arrangement is to be practically the same as obtained when H. K. Ober was in Japan on a leave of absence during the fall term.

On April 22, 1921, J. G. Meyer was elected to the presidency of the College and was asked to assume his duties on July 1, 1921. J. G. Meyer presented to the Board of Trustees his resignation of the presidency of Elizabethtown College on January 19, 1924. It was accepted with the understanding that he serve until his successor would take office.

J. G. Meyer had exceptional training for the presidency of the College. In 1905 he received the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy from Elizabethtown College, an A. B. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1910, and an A. M. degree from Columbia University in 1915. He was also working toward the doctorate at Columbia University in 1917. In his activity as Chairman of the Faculty in 1920-1921 and in his three years as President of the College, the school made great progress in course improvement and accreditation with the State Department of Public Instruction.

The Editor of *Our College Times* in the issue of January 30, 1924, states:

During the past three years of President Meyer's administration the College made a greater forward advancement than during any other

period of its history. It was largely accomplished because of his perseverance that Elizabethtown College was standardized on December 21, 1921, and received full state recognition with the privilege of granting degrees in liberal arts, finance, commerce and science. . . . The College has grown from an Academy and a College to a College and an Academy. Through the efforts of President Meyer the courses of the school were revised and standardized. His quiet and unassuming personality have won for him a large circle of friends in educational circles. President Meyer took a personal interest in each student; each was his constant thought and concern. His untiring, unselfish life will ever be a challenge to those who knew him.

In connection with the acceptance of his resignation, the Minutes of the Board on January 19, 1924, state:

The resignation of President J. G. Meyer was received and accepted with the proviso that he continue in office until his successor is elected. This action was taken by the Board with regret because of the faithful services rendered by President Meyer and the pleasant and congenial relations that existed during the term of his administration, as well as his loyalty to the principles of the Church of the Brethren.

In 1924 he accepted a fellowship at New York University where he received his Ph.D. degree in 1926.

### H. K. Ober, Later Years, 1924-January 1, 1928

After a lengthy consideration of the presidency and the policies of the College, the Board on January 26, 1924, elected H. K. Ober a second time as President of Elizabethtown College, but he declined the office in a meeting of the Board on February 16, 1924. A committee of three: S. H. Hertzler, J. W. G. Hershey, and I. W. Taylor, was appointed to confer with H. K. Ober with reference to his acceptance of the presidency. At the next meeting of the Board on March 28, 1924, he accepted the presidency providing a field man be procured for the College and several other matters be satisfactorily adjusted. He was then authorized to prepare a roster of teachers to be presented at the next meeting of the Board.

He was President from 1924 to January 1, 1928. On account of ill health President Ober asked for a leave of absence from February 1, 1927, to August 1, 1927, but on April 30, 1927, he reported to the Board that he was continuing his work with a reduced teaching

load. However, because of continuing failing health he presented a letter to the Board on October 27, 1927, requesting that

he be relieved from the presidency of the College at the earliest date possible with the least interruption to the work.

After some discussion the Board, in the light of the facts set forth in his letter, reluctantly decided to accept his request, the resignation going into effect on January 1, 1928.

In 1922 he received an A. M. degree from Columbia University and was a graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania where he practically completed the residence requirements for the Ph.D. degree. In 1927 he was honored by Franklin and Marshall College with the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

### **First Amendment of the Charter**

The original Charter of the College stated that the Board of Trustees should consist of nine trustees from the membership of the German Baptist Brethren Church (named the Church of the Brethren in 1908) and should be elected by the contributors of the College. The new Charter called for a Board of Trustees of twelve members selected from the Church of the Brethren of the Eastern and the Southern Districts of Pennsylvania. The Charter granted by the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County follows:

#### ***PETITION FOR AMENDMENT OF CHARTER***

**TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:-**

The Petition of Elizabethtown College of Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Respectfully Represents:

That it is an association duly incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County on the 23rd day of September A.D. 1899 for the purpose of establishing and maintaining an Institution of Learning to be situated within the County of Lancaster and is embraced within the Corporations of the first class specified in Section 2 of an Act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation

and Regulation of certain Corporations" approved on the 29th day of April A.D. 1874.

That in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act of the General Assembly the said association is desirous of improving, amending, and altering the articles and conditions of its said Charter and at a meeting of the said Corporation duly convened, the following improvements, amendments, and alterations of the said Charter were duly adopted:

Section 6 of the said Charter which now reads as follows:

The corporation is to be under the control of the German Baptist Brethren Church comprising the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and it is to be managed by a Board of Trustees consisting of nine members who shall be representative members of the German Baptist Brethren Church. The names and residences of those who are chosen for Three, Two, and One years Respectively are:

	<i>For Three Years</i>	
<i>Name</i>		<i>Residence</i>
Jesse C. Ziegler, <i>President</i>		Royers Ford, Pa.
G. N. Falkenstein, <i>Secretary</i>		Germantown, Pa.
Samuel H. Hertzler, <i>Treasurer</i>		Elizabethtown, Pa.

	<i>For Two Years</i>	
<i>Name</i>		<i>Residence</i>
Joseph H. Rider		Elizabethtown, Pa.
Nathan Hoffman		Pottstown, Pa.
Michael R. Henry		Derry Church, Pa.

	<i>For One Year</i>	
<i>Name</i>		<i>Residence</i>
T. F. Imler		Lancaster, Pa.
L. R. Brumbaugh		Denton, Md.
George Bucher		Mechanic Grove, Pa.

to be amended so as to read as follows to wit:—

The Corporation shall be under the control of the Church of the Brethren formerly known as the German Baptist Brethren comprising the Eastern and Southern Districts of Pennsylvania and such other districts of said Church as may hereafter elect and be admitted to share in the ownership and control of the said College and shall be managed by a Board of Twelve Trustees representative members of said Church —eight of whom shall be elected from the Congregations in the said Eastern District at least two of the said eight shall be members of the Congregation in which the College is located and four of whom shall be elected from the Congregations in the said Southern District. The said Trustees shall be elected from the said State Districts in which they are

to serve by the Delegates at District Meetings from nominations made by Elders' Meetings and shall serve for three years except those first elected whose names residences and terms of service shall be as follows:

*Eastern District*

J. W. G. Hershey	Lititz, Pa.	3 years
I. W. Taylor	Elizabethtown, Pa.	3 years
S. H. Hertzler	Elizabethtown, Pa.	3 years
John M. Gibble	Elizabethtown, Pa.	2 years
David Kilhefner	Ephrata, Pa.	2 years
H. B. Yoder	Lancaster, Pa.	1 year
E. M. Wenger	Bethel, Pa.	1 year
A. G. Longenecker	Palmyra, Pa.	1 year

*Southern District*

J. H. Keller	Shrewsbury, Pa.	3 years
C. R. Oellig	Waynesboro, Pa.	2 years
A. S. Baugher	Lineboro, Md.	2 years
C. L. Baker	East Berlin, Pa.	1 year

In case of the admission of other Districts to share in the ownership and control of said College the apportionment of the twelve members of the Board of Trustees shall be rearranged among all the Districts sharing in said ownership and control by agreement of said Districts in such manner as to give to each its proper and equitable representation.

Section 9 of the said Charter which now reads as follows:

"The first Election of Trustees shall take place on the 3rd Monday of June 1900, in Elizabethtown, Pa., and on the same day and place annually thereafter by the qualified voters of said corporation and those securing the highest number of votes shall be the Trustees for the ensuing terms" to be omitted.

Wherefore the said Elizabethtown College prays that the said Amendments may be approved and that upon compliance with the requirements of said Act of the General Assembly the same may be incorporated into and made and taken to be part of its said Charter.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the corporate seal of the said Elizabethtown College is hereto affixed and duly attested this 23rd day of February A.D. 1920.

(CORP. SEAL)

"ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE"  
By Sam'l Hertzler, President  
Attest: A. G. Longenecker, Sec'y

## STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

ss:

## COUNTY OF LANCASTER

Be it remembered that on the 23rd day of February A.D. 1920 before the undersigned a Notary Public for said State and County personally appeared A. G. Longenecker, Secretary of the Elizabethtown College, who being duly affirmed deposed and said that he was present at the execution of the foregoing Petition that the seal affixed thereto is the common and corporate seal of the said Elizabethtown College and that he saw the same affixed to said Petition that the said Petition was duly signed sealed and delivered by and as the act and deed of the said Elizabethtown College for the purposes therein named and that the signatures of the President and Secretary appended to the said Petition in attestation of the execution and delivery thereof are their true and proper signatures.

Affirmed and subscribed before me  
this 23rd day of February A.D. 1920

A. G. Longenecker  
Secretary

H. K. Ober, Notary Public  
Commission expires March 19, 1921.

(N.P. SEAL)

## D E C R E E

AND NOW Mar. 27th A.D. 1920 it appearing on the presentation of the within Petition that the order of Court heretofore made has been complied with and that publication of notice of the presentation of said Petition has been made as required by said order it is therefore on motion of Christian E. Charles Esquire ordered and decreed that the said Amendments improvements and alterations prayed for in said Petition are approved and that upon recording of said Petition and this Order in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds for Lancaster County the said amendments improvements and alterations shall be taken to be a part of the Charter of the said corporation.

## BY THE COURT—

Attest:

H. M. Hoffman  
Recorded April 23, 1920

CHAS. I. LANDIS, P. J.  
A. B. Hassler,

Judge Morris Cooper, *Deputy Recorder.*

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

ss:

COUNTY OF LANCASTER

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true, full and perfect copy of the ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT to the CHARTER of the ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE as the same is recorded in the Office for the Recording of Deeds &c., in and for Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in Charter Book No. 4, at page 365.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Office this 11th day of May, A.D. 1960

(signed)            G. Howard Ackerman  
*Recorder of Deeds*

### New Board of Trustees

The contributors, who formerly elected the Trustees of the College, transferred the ownership of the College on February 16, 1916, to the Eastern and Southern Districts of the Church of the Brethren, which bodies elected a new Board of Trustees to assume control of the College on January 1, 1919. The District of Eastern Pennsylvania elected the following persons:

*For a term of three years 1919-1922*

Jesse C. Ziegler, I. W. Taylor, J. W. G. Hershey

*For a term of two years 1919-1921*

S. H. Hertzler and John M. Gibble

*For a term of one year 1919-1920*

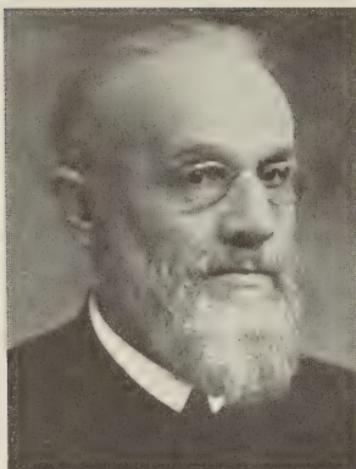
David Kilhefner, H. B. Yoder, E. M. Wenger

Jesse C. Ziegler died before his term began and Amos G. Longenecker was selected to fill the vacancy on the Board.

The District of Southern Pennsylvania elected the following:

*For a three year term 1919-1922*

J. H. Keller



SAMUEL H. HERTZLER, 1853-1936

*Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1918-1936**For a two year term 1919-1921*

C. R. Oellig, Aaron S. Baugher

*For a one year term 1919-1920*

Charles L. Baker

On January 2, 1919, the new Board effected the following organization:

S. H. Hertzler, *Chairman*Charles L. Baker, *Vice Chairman*A. G. Longenecker, *Secretary*I. W. Taylor, *Treasurer*

### Jesse C. Ziegler Endowment Campaign

A number of projects were begun in the first years of the administration of H. K. Ober and consummated in the years when J. G. Meyer served as President of the College. One of these significant events was the Jesse C. Ziegler Endowment Campaign undertaken with a view to the standardization of the College.

On January 2, 1919, at the first meeting of the new Board, a query was presented by the Faculty of the College asking that an effort be made to standardize the College. The Board voted, after giving

thoughtful consideration to the query and in harmony with the general forward movement of the church:

That an effort is to be put forth to standardize the school and that Ralph W. Schlosser be secured to take the campaign in charge, and that the working out of the campaign in Southern Pennsylvania be entrusted to Ralph W. Schlosser in consultation with the four trustees of Southern Pennsylvania and that of Eastern Pennsylvania be also entrusted to Ralph W. Schlosser in consultation with I. W. Taylor, S. H. Hertzler and E. M. Wenger.

The amount needed for the standardization of the College was \$500,000 in buildings, equipment, and endowment.

For seven weeks R. W. Schlosser consulted with the Trustees and church leaders relative to the need of standardization and an interpretation of the meaning of endowment, especially endowment in the form of interest bearing pledges. In the course of this campaign of interpretation and the building of sentiment for the College, sympathetic friends were found but also considerable adverse sentiment regarding higher education. The newly elected Trustees accompanied R. W. Schlosser to a number of meetings among the churches and to leading individuals in these congregations. On February 21, 1919, R. W. Schlosser met with the Board of Trustees and gave an encouraging report of the sentiment of the churches of the Southern District of Pennsylvania. After considerable discussion of the problem of standardization of the College, the Board passed the following resolution:

Whereas, the laws of Pennsylvania require a standard college to have assets invested in buildings, equipment, and endowment to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars and further require six professors giving their exclusive time to instruction in college work,

Be It Resolved, That a permanent fund be created for the purpose of sustaining and extending the educational work of Elizabethtown College, the same to be raised, invested, managed and used according to the following plan:

1. The fund shall be obtained by contribution through solicitation or otherwise.
2. That the principal contributed to said fund shall be invested as provided for by the Board of Trustees and the income only shall be used.

3. Since the income shall be used for the purpose of sustaining and extending the educational work of Elizabethtown College, and in the event that Elizabethtown College should cease operating as an educational institution under the control of the Church of the Brethren, then any accrued income, together with the permanent endowment fund, shall be delivered in the same ratio as contributed, to the District Mission Boards of the Church of the Brethren in the State Districts contributing to this fund and the income arising therefrom forever used for educational purposes under the direction of said District Mission Boards.



ISAAC W. TAYLOR, 1856-1933  
Treasurer of the College  
Secretary of Board of Trustees

At this meeting of the Board it was also voted that the fund solicited be named "The Jesse C. Ziegler Memorial Fund." By action of the Board, I. W. Taylor was relieved of the treasurership of the Board of Trustees, so that he might be free to assist in the solicitation of the churches for endowment funds.

The Minutes of the Board for July 17, 1919, state that eighty thousand dollars had been solicited among several churches in Southern Pennsylvania. In order to facilitate travel in the solicitation of the churches, I. W. Taylor and R. W. Schlosser were appointed by the Board to purchase an automobile for the use of the solicitors. On January 8, 1920, a year after the inauguration of the endowment

campaign a red, used Model T. Ford was purchased for four hundred dollars.

The campaign was a house-to-house campaign among the members of the various congregations. Either I. W. Taylor, the elder-in-charge of a church, or a prominent layman, accompanied R. W. Schlosser in this arduous solicitation. As the red Ford approached a home, the occupants could have been heard to say:

There comes the red College Ford!

Some welcomed the visitors, others were unsympathetic toward the movement to standardize the College. One difficult problem to be explained—sometimes in the Pennsylvania German dialect, for who ever heard the word endowment in the dialect—was the fact that the pledges bore interest at four percent. “What,” said more than one person, “in this way I am paying interest on my own money!” This type of pledge was necessary to make it the equivalent of cash toward the endowment fund. It certainly was unfortunate that the pledges were made on a ten-year basis because of changes that occurred in the lives of many of the subscribers during that period of time.

Of the many unforgettable experiences of the solicitors are two that occurred in Adams County, Pennsylvania. As a pledge was to be filled out, the pen of the solicitor contained no ink. The home had no pen or ink; a lead pencil was not considered desirable for the signing of the pledge. The solicitor inquired whether there was any shoe polish in the house. Receiving an affirmative reply, the solicitor was given a bottle of Bixby’s Shoe Polish. The contributor then signed the pledge after dipping the pen into the shoe polish.

On another occasion a woman desiring to make a contribution hesitated for a while on the amount of the pledge. The solicitor was about to fill out the pledge for five hundred dollars and ask her to sign the pledge, but on second thought asked the woman again as to the amount she desired to contribute. What a surprise when she said, “Make the amount one thousand dollars.”

On July 19, 1920, a year after the endowment campaign was begun a report to the Board of Trustees indicated that out of fifty-seven congregations to be solicited, thirty-eight had been canvassed by a house-to-house visitation in all kinds of weather and that the total amount raised in cash and pledges amounted to \$270,000, not

including the funds for the Gibble Science Building. On December 12, 1920, a report to the Board of Trustees indicated that \$385,000 had been received, with the Elizabethtown Church and community in addition to two remaining congregations not yet solicited. With the Borough of Elizabethtown contributing \$30,000, the Endowment Campaign was completed on February 17, 1921, and the grand total received in cash and pledges amounted to \$420,000. This amount together with the inventory of the assets of the College made a total of \$550,000, the amount reported to the State Department of Public Instruction.

On January 19, 1924, the Minutes of the Board of Trustees indicate that the total amount paid on the ten-year pledges to date was \$216,000. Two years later the amount still due on unpaid pledges was reduced to \$83,000.

### **Second Amendment of the Charter**

Because of difficulty in securing credit from the State Department of Public Instruction for work done at Elizabethtown College, the need of becoming a standardized college grew more acute. President H. K. Ober in an article in *Our College Times* of April, 1919, wrote:

If Elizabethtown College is to fulfill her large field of usefulness she will need to attain to the requirements set for a standard college. In order to build up a body of strong alumni who will fully regard this school as their Alma Mater, she must be a fully accredited college.

Consequently, as soon as the financial requirement for accreditation was met, the following resolution of the Board was adopted on January 4, 1921, in which meeting an application was made for a charter giving the College the right to grant degrees. The action as recorded on the Minutes of the Board follows:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College on January 4, 1921, it was unanimously decided to proceed with the work of standardizing the College and procuring a new Charter.

A petition to the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County for the right to grant baccalaureate degrees was prepared by the Board of Trustees on February 17, 1921. After a preliminary consideration of this petition, the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas was

asked to forward the application to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The amended portion of the charter follows:

### D E C R E E

AND NOW June 25, 1921, the foregoing application for amendment of the Charter of Elizabethtown College and the certificate therein contained asking for the power for said College to confer degrees in art pure and applied science philosophy literature law medicine and theology or any of them—having been presented to the Court and proof of the publication of the notices of the intention to apply for said amendment of charter as advertised in the Lancaster *Law Review* Lancaster *Intelligencer* and Lancaster *Examiner-New Era* as required by law having been filed the Court upon perusal and examination thereof finds the same to be in proper form and within the purposes of the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania approved the twenty sixth day of June 1895 P. L. 327 and finds further that the same appears to be lawful and not injurious to the community directs the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County to transmit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction a certified copy of the application for the amendment to the charter and the certificate therein contained as well as a certified copy of this decree as provided in said Act of Assembly.

BY THE COURT

Attest: E. C. Shannon

*Prothonotary*

CHAS I. LANDIS P. J.

A. B. HASSSLER J.

*Judges*

Jun. 25 1921—I hereby certify the above to be a copy of the application for the amendment &c. and of the Decree of the Court. Witness my hand and seal of Court. Jun. 25 1921.

E. C. Shannon Prothy (SEAL CT OF C.P.)

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Harrisburg—Pennsylvania

Endorsement by the State Council of Education of The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Application of Elizabethtown College for Amendments to its Charter—

AND NOW December 19, 1921, the foregoing petition of the corporation of Elizabethtown College for an amendment to its charter enabling

it to confer degrees in art pure and applied science philosophy literature law medicine and theology or any of them having been presented to the State Council of Education and said Council having heard and considered said application find that the course of instruction the standard of admission and the composition of the faculty are sufficient and that the educational needs of the locality and of the Commonwealth at large are likely to be met by the granting to such corporation the privilege of conferring degrees of art pure and applied science philosophy and literature and theology, *but not including law and medicine*, do approve the same. And recommend to the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County that a final decree be made granting the prayer of the petitioners *except as so far as it relates to the conferring of degrees in law and medicine.*

Given under my hand and the seal of the State Department of Public Instruction at Harrisburg this 23rd day of December 1921.

THOS. R. FINEGAN

(OFF. SEAL)

*President and Chief Executive Officer  
State Council of Education—*

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LANCASTER COUNTY—

In Re Petition for Amendment

Trust Book No. 25

of Charter of

Elizabethtown College

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#### ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW January 14, 1922, the certified copy of the certificate In Re Petition for Amendment of Charter of Elizabethtown College with the endorsements thereon of the State Council of Education of the State of Pennsylvania having been in accordance with the Act of June 26, 1895 P.L. 327 Sec. 7 duly returned to this Court upon due consideration of the findings of said Council we are satisfied with the propriety of said application in view of all the facts and we do hereby approve of the said amendment as recommended by said State Council of Education, and we do order and decree that upon the recording of the said certificate with the recommendation of the said State Council of Education and a copy of this Order of Court the subscribers thereto and their associates and successors shall be a corporation for the purpose and upon the terms stated in the Charter as hereby amended and shall have authority to confer degrees in art, pure and applied science, philosophy, literature and theology, but not including law or medicine.

## BY THE COURT

Attest:

E. C. Shannon *Prothonotary*

CHAS. I. LANDIS

*President Judge*

A. B. HASSSLER

*Additional Law Judge*

Recorded February 21, 1922.

Morris Cooper Deputy Recorder.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTY OF LANCASTER

ss:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true, full and perfect copy of the ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT to the CHARTER of the ELIZABETH-TOWN COLLEGE as the same is recorded in the Office for the Recording of Deeds &c., in and for Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in Charter Book No. 4, at page 571. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Office this 11th day of May A.D. 1960.

(signed)

G. Howard Ackerman,  
*Recorder of Deeds.***Accreditation of the College**

Elizabethtown College owes a debt of gratitude to a man appointed by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to visit Elizabethtown College and report his findings relative to the approval of the College for the granting of baccalaureate degrees. This man was Edgar Fahs Smith, Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. After his visit to the College he recommended to the State Council on Education that favorable action be taken on the proposed amendment of the Charter of the College.

On January 13, 1922, S. H. Hertzler, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, surprised the members of the Board as he read the following telegram from Thomas E. Finegan, President of the State Council of Education:

Harrisburg, Pa.  
December 21, 1921

Favorable action has been taken on your application for a charter to grant degrees. Announce it thus to your student body.

Thomas E. Finegan

The passing of this milestone in the administration of President J. G. Meyer marked the beginning of a new era in the history of the College. Upon announcement of the decision of the State Council of Education at the chapel services, a holiday was declared for the remainder of the day.

A letter from Thomas E. Finegan elaborated on the decision of the Council on Education:

This is to advise you that at the meeting of the State Council of Education held on December 19, 1921, the application of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College for an amendment of its charter in order that it may grant degrees in art, pure and applied sciences, philosophy, literature, and theology was approved.

A celebration of this event was held at special Chapel exercises on Thursday, December 22, 1921.

The program follows:

Devotions—Reading from I Corinthians and

Prayer . . . . .	G. N. Falkenstein
Address . . . . .	Elizabeth Myer
Music . . . . .	The Alma Mater
Address—Standardization . . . . .	G. N. Falkenstein
College Quartet—“Press Toward the Mark”	
Address . . . . .	H. H. Nye
Address . . . . .	I. S. Hoffer
Expressions by Students, I. W. Taylor, and S. H. Hertzler	

Before this accreditation by the State Department of Public Instruction, students who had taken a number of college courses at Elizabethtown College experienced some difficulty in receiving credit from accredited colleges of our area. Some received partial

credit, some were promised credit upon satisfactory completion of courses in their summer schools, or were required to take a year in residence to prove their ability to do college work. Between 1911 and 1921 seventeen students were awarded college diplomas by Elizabethtown College in a four-year classical course, but most of these students transferred their credits earned at Elizabethtown College to accredited schools that conferred baccalaureate degrees upon them after taking additional courses in these institutions.

A letter from the Dean of the University of Pennsylvania was read to the Board on January 1, 1924, stating

that the graduates of Elizabethtown College may enter the graduate school of the University; in other words the University will recognize the work of Elizabethtown College.

The Class of 1922 was the first to receive baccalaureate degrees after the accreditation of the College on December 19, 1921, and comprised the following members: A. C. Baugher, Mary Hershey Crouthamel, Ada M. Douty, John F. Graham, Ephraim M. Hertzler, Supera Martz, Nathan G. Meyer, L. Anna Schwenk, Samuel P. Sumpman, Ezra Wenger, William A. Willoughby, and Anna Wogemuth.

### **Elizabethtown Academy**

In the early years of the College the instruction offered was on the high school level. It aided teachers in advancing their certification and offered to students who had completed a three-year high school course an opportunity to secure a fourth year of work on the high school level. This type of work and short commercial courses comprised the major part of the academic program of the College for the first twenty years of its existence. With the addition of Faculty members with graduate degrees from universities, courses were offered on the college level and by the time of accreditation in 1921 a group of fifty or more students were enrolled in courses of college grade.

After the college received accreditation by the State Department of Public Instruction, objection was felt to having college students and those of high school grade in the same buildings on the campus. On October 21, 1924, the Board of Trustees appointed a committee to investigate this matter.



ALVIN P. WENGER

*Principal, Elizabethtown Academy,  
1923-1925*

During these years the preparatory department of the College was designated as the Elizabethtown Academy. A. P. Wenger was elected Principal of the Academy for the year 1923-1924. Two courses of study were outlined: a general academy course and a commercial academy course. This arrangement was followed for three years and the Academy had its own commencement exercises the week of the college commencement. On October 20, 1925, the Board of Trustees, seeing the wisdom of having only students of college grade on the campus, voted to discontinue the Academy at the end of the scholastic year 1925-1926.

The State Department of Public Instruction also refused to grant credit for work done in the Academy later than September 1, 1925, unless the Academy secured an official rating as an academy. To secure high school credit for the seniors in the Class of 1926 in the Academy they were required to take the examinations given by the Pre-Professional Bureau of the State Department of Education.

### Additional Building Construction

On July 17, 1919, the Board of Trustees appointed J. W. G. Hershey, I. W. Taylor, and H. K. Ober as a committee to investigate the cost of a new building for the College. A plan of an apartment building was presented by a building committee of the Board.

Funds for the erection of this building were provided from undesignated contributions of the Endowment Campaign then in progress. The first floor of the building was designed for living quarters for professors; the remaining floors were occupied in the beginning by men but for several following years it was a women's dormitory, and recently a men's dormitory.

This building was dedicated on June 7, 1921, with Ezra Flory, General Secretary of the General Sunday School Board of the Church of the Brethren, delivering the address. Lydia Landis, a student, was awarded a prize for suggesting the name Fairview Apartments for the building.

In connection with the erection of Fairview Apartments, a double brick building, The Maples, was built on College Avenue, and because of the need of housing for Faculty members two double cottages were erected on the southeast corner of the College campus by the end of 1921.



*Fairview Hall  
Dedicated June 7, 1921*

### Lake Placida

The students and alumni of the College conceived the idea of constructing a lake on the eastern section of the campus. By the action of the Board of Trustees, a tract of land containing a stream of pure running water was purchased for this purpose. Work was immediately begun with a long wall built across a ravine so that a lake of several acres would be formed. On October 21, 1924, the Board of Trustees gave the students and alumni the privilege of



*Lake Placida*

completing the construction of this lake. The work was completed on April 1, 1925, and the waters overflowed the spillway. A prize was offered for the most suitable name for the lake. It was given to Eli Engle '27 for the name Lake Placida.

### Literary Societies

At the beginning of the administration of President H. K. Ober two literary societies were functioning: the Keystone Literary Society and the Homeric Literary Society. With the increase in student enrollment, pressure came from the students for the division of the Keystone Literary Society into two societies. The Faculty Com-

mittee on Literary Societies gave considerable time to the discussion of this problem and finally on October 4, 1920, recommended:

1. That the Homerian Literary Society be reorganized.
2. That two societies of equal rank be authorized and established instead of the Keystone Literary Society and that they be known as the Franklin-Keystone Literary Society and the Penn-Keystone Literary Society.
3. That all students in the College Course including juniors and seniors in the Pedagogical Course be eligible for membership in the Homerian Literary Society.
4. That all other students be divided by lot between the junior societies.

The following advisors to the societies were appointed by the Faculty: Homerian Society, J. S. Harley; Franklin-Keystone Society, Elizabeth Myer; Penn-Keystone Society, Florence Moyer.

L. D. Rose, in an article on "Forensic Arts," stated:

On October 13, 1920, two junior societies were organized and lived until September 15, 1923. On that date the two junior societies were dissolved, and the former Keystone Literary Society was reorganized and continued until May 31, 1926, the date of the discontinuance of the Academy.

These literary societies arranged weekly programs of high caliber and thus made weekends at College meaningful. Each year they held oratorical contests in which prizes were offered for the best orations. Practically all the programs featured a debate, musical numbers, and the Critic's remarks.

In the Homerian Society Faculty members participated along with College seniors in debate. Only a small percentage of students in this era of the College absented themselves over weekends. Each President of a society was subjected to parliamentary drill at the end of his four week's term of service. Robert's *Rules of Order* were generally followed, but many humorous quips occurred.

On October 11, 1928, the Homerian Society had its last meeting. A motion passed, stating:

that the society be disbanded so that it might resolve itself into a committee as a whole to stir up within the next month sentiment in favor of various clubs to take the place of the work of the literary

society. The President of the Homerian Society shall appoint a committee to take charge of the formation of the following clubs: dramatic, science, music, and current literature.

### Welfare Associations

The students of the College feeling the need of building a closer fellowship on the College campus requested permission from the Faculty to organize a Young Men's Welfare Association and a Young Women's Welfare Association. Consequently, on February 3, 1920, the Y. M. W. A. was organized with Henry Wenger as its first president. It was not until February 11, 1921, that the Y. W. W. A. was organized with Vera Hackman, as its first President. Out of these student organizations grew the Student Council.

The purpose of these organizations is stated in the *Etonian* for the year 1923:

The object is to foster the spirit of brotherliness and helpfulness, to support such projects as will contribute to the common good and to stimulate interest in maintaining a distinctly Christian atmosphere in Elizabethtown College.

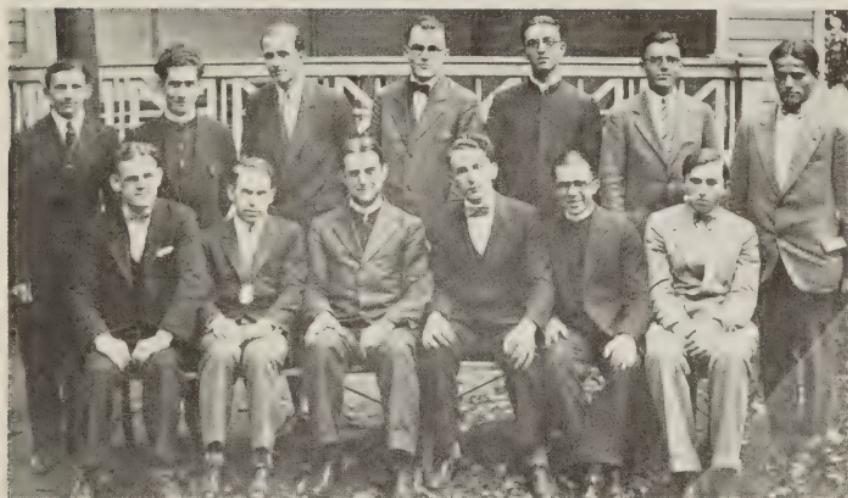
After five years of this arrangement pressure came from both of these associations to form a Young Men's Christian Association and a Young Women's Christian Association, and on January 1, 1926, the Board of Trustees granted a request to organize these new associations. Before the Trustees voted this approval, delegates from the Y. M. W. A. and the Y. W. W. A. were sent to various Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. conferences. During the year 1926-1927 all the necessary requirements for entering the State Associations were met for full fledged membership in the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Desmond W. Bittinger was the first president of the Y. M. C. A. and Pauline Greene of the Y. W. C. A.

This change in name and object to some degree occasioned closer contact with the State Associations and with these associations in other colleges, thus enriching and broadening the interests of the students of Elizabethtown College.

The Student Volunteers of the College rendered many programs among the churches during a period of years. These visits of students to the churches also helped to build sentiment for the College wherever they went.

## Intercollegiate Debating

Prior to 1922 the Trustees of the College opposed intercollegiate debating, but in that year two intercollegiate debating teams were organized. The affirmative team comprised: Lois Falkenstein, Foster Bittinger, Samuel G. Fahnestock, and Joseph W. Kettering; the negative team: Ephraim Hertzler, Daniel Myers, William Willoughby, and Jesse Reber. In the year 1923-1924 debates were held with



*Men's Debating Association*

Ursinus College, Juniata College and Western Maryland College. The first intercollegiate debate of Elizabethtown College was with Ursinus College on November 14, 1924. The teams were coached by J. S. Harley, I. S. Hoffer, and R. W. Schlosser, Dean of the College.

On September 23, 1925, a Men's Debating Association of fourteen members was organized with Sanmuel S. Wenger as Manager. The Women's Debating Association was formed on October 21, 1926. For the year 1926-1927 the men's schedule included Lebanon Valley College, Bucknell University, Muhlenburg College, and Capitol University, Washington, D.C. The women this year debated with Temple University, Swarthmore College and Ursinus College. Dur-



*Women's Debating Team*

ing this year, the Men's Debating Team made a tour among colleges in Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. The Women's Debating Team in 1927-1928 scored thirteen points out of a possible eighteen.

Elizabethtown College was a member of the Debating Association of the Colleges of Pennsylvania and R. W. Schlosser served as Secretary of the Association for several years. This association annually made the selection of the question for debate among the colleges of Pennsylvania.

### **College Quartets**

During the administrations of President Ober and President Meyer a number of male and female quartets became rather outstanding in the life of the College. These quartets participated in the programs of the literary societies, on special College occasions, and in programs among civic clubs and churches.

Prior to 1916 a quartet composed of Elam Zug, Harvey Geyer, Paul Engle, and Virgil Holsinger was formed. In 1922 a College Quartet comprising: Chester H. Royer, E. G. Meyer, John B. Bechtel, and A. C. Baugher was organized. That same year the Homerian

Quartet began giving programs; in 1928 the Lyric Quartet and the Gleemen came upon the scene; and in 1931 the Aeolian Quartet. Other groups with gifted voices also furnished an exhilarating part of many College programs.

The Faculty Male Quartet was called to as many as twenty churches a year; on some weekends they often sang in a church on Saturday evening and three times the following Sunday. This quartet was organized in 1917 and continued rendering programs until 1926 when one of the members withdrew from the College. This quartet consisted of Chester H. Royer, first tenor; E. G. Meyer, second tenor; R. W. Schlosser, first bass; and A. C. Baugher, second bass. One of the secular songs still remembered by many was "Mother Grinding Coffee by the Old Kitchen Stove."



*College Faculty Quartet*

*L. to R.—A. C. Baugher, Ephraim G. Meyer, Ralph W. Schlosser,  
Chester H. Royer*

The women also began forming quartets in 1925. The first quartet on record comprised: May Strayer, Mary Baugher, Lillian Becker, and Lessie Wagner. Possibly the quartet that received the greatest publicity was the Melicent Quartet formed in 1929. This quartet comprised: Floy Schlosser, Grace Light, Kathryn Holsinger, and Frances Hershman. Besides a heavy schedule in local churches and service clubs this quartet made an extended tour among the churches of Western Pennsylvania. These women's quartets rendered a valuable service at the College and in the churches.

### **Alma Mater Song**

Elizabethtown College did not have an Alma Mater song until the year 1921 when Jennie Via, Head of the Music Department, composed a male quartet to be sung by four of her voice students. This quartet consisted of C. H. Royer, E. G. Meyer, John B. Bechtel and A. C. Baugher. The composition was given publicity by this quartet and the Faculty Male Quartet on campus programs and in churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania. The quartet was rearranged for mixed voices and became known as the Alma Mater song, but no official action was ever taken to designate the song as such. The harmony of the selection moves smoothly and in a stately manner in the stanzas and rises to a grand climax in the chorus. The original copy of the song was in the possession of E. G. Meyer for many years, and at his death was placed in the archives of the Brethren Heritage Room.

### **Anniversaries**

#### *Twenty-Fifth Milestone*

The Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the founding of the College was observed on November 13 and 14, 1925. The session of the afternoon of November 13 dealt with the history of the College. S. H. Hertzler, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, spoke of the first years with a small student body to an enrollment of 381 in 1925. Dean R. W. Schlosser dealt with the academic offerings of the institution, and President H. K. Ober closed the session with a presentation of the needs of the College. The following guests also delivered short addresses: Ezra Lehman, Principal of the Cumberland Valley State Normal School; C. D. Koch, Deputy State Superintendent of Public

The strong and fair alike do share  
The labours of thy hand.  
Together they proclaim alway  
Thy glory through the land.

As long as breezes 'round thee blow,  
And countless ages roll,  
May Heaven's blessings on thee rest  
While we thy name extol.

## *College Alma Mater Song*

Instruction; and Isaac D. App, Superintendent of the Dauphin County Public Schools.

The Elizabethtown Borough Council, the local Board of School Directors, and prominent business men attended the banquet held in the College dining hall. The evening program brought two friends of the College as speakers: J. W. Snone, Superintendent of the

Lebanon County Schools, and H. H. Apple, President of Franklin and Marshall College. They both congratulated the College on its remarkable progress in its short existence.

The following day, November 14, 1925, the program highlighted the theme of the Christian college. I. Harvey Brumbaugh of Juniata College brought greetings from this sister college and delivered the address of the afternoon. An Alumni program concluded the Anniversary Exercises. J. W. Kettering presided at the meeting. C. L. Martin of the faculty of the McCaskey High School of Lancaster gave an inspiring talk on "The Alumni and Their College."

He was followed by W. D. Marburger, Instructor in Extension Courses of Elizabethtown College, and by George Gossard, President of Lebanon Valley College.

The climax of the Anniversary Celebration came at the close of the program when President Ober announced some projects under way: the erection of a gymnasium, the plans of the Gibble clan to build a Science Hall, and the preservation of the dormitory room occupied by Elizabeth Myer as a memorial to her. The furniture in the room was to be kept intact, her portrait hung on the wall, and an appropriate name plate placed on the door of the room.

Two prizes were also announced: one given by Edgar G. Diehm in Extemporaneous Speaking and one by W. D. Marburger in Bible.

### *Thirtieth Milestone*

This Anniversary was celebrated in the College Chapel on November 13, 1930. The Administrative Committee of the Faculty arranged the following program:

Invocation . . . . .	Rev. Frank Croman
Hymn—America the Beautiful	
Address—The Alumni of Elizabethtown College . . .	R. K. Eby
Piano Solo . . . . .	Beatrice Wilhelm
Reading . . . . .	Naomi Longenecker Geyer
Ladies Glee Club—Evening Hymn	
Anniversary Address . . . . .	G. N. Falkenstein <i>Past Principal of Elizabethtown College</i>
Benediction . . . . .	S. H. Hertzler <i>Chairman of Board of Trustees</i>

**In Memoriam***Jesse C. Ziegler, 1856-1918*

Jesse Ziegler, the first Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College from 1900 to the time of his death on September 28, 1918, was a student at Kutztown State Normal School. He was born near Mt. Aetna, in Berks County, on July 18, 1856, the son of Daniel P. and Mary Conner Ziegler and was the oldest of fourteen children. After a short period of teaching he went to Illinois, where he taught a rural school during the winter and labored as a carpenter the remainder of the year. After his marriage to the daughter of the carpenter, for whom he worked, he moved back to Berks County, Pennsylvania, and shortly thereafter bought his grandfather's farm in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Here he was called to the ministry and in 1901 became the pastor of the Reading Church in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. At the same time he was the Elder-in-Charge of the Mingo Church of the Brethren, which office he held to the time of his death.

He was one of the prime movers of the founding of the College and became the first Chairman of the Board of Trustees. His son, Warren, was one of the first six students of the College. The *History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*, in reviewing the character of Jesse C. Ziegler states:

He was a preacher of great ability, scholarly, persuasive, and thoughtful. His great dignity, sound judgment, good business sense, and spirit of reconciliation made him a truly great church leader. He was a man to shape trends rather to follow them.



The Faculty resolutions of sympathy in *Our College Times* of October 1918 state:

First, That we as a Faculty express our deepest sorrow in the loss of a genial friend, a devoted Elder-in-Charge of a church, a farsighted counselor in the education of young people, and a devout Christian who endeared himself to all.

Second, That we owe to his memory an offering of high esteem for his generous devotion to all worthy causes and especially to the best interests of Elizabethtown College.

In a former part of this *History of Elizabethtown College* are recorded incidents in his life that manifest the financial sacrifices he

made, and the time consuming efforts put forth in the interests of the College in its formative years.

*Elizabeth Myer, 1863-1924*

Elizabeth Myer, one of the first teachers at Elizabethtown College, was born on June 7, 1863, in Bareville, Lancaster County, and was the fifth child in a family of twelve children. As a pupil in the public schools she ranked at the top of the list academically. In September, 1885, she entered Millersville State Normal School; in November, 1886, she united with the Church of the Brethren and began wearing the "plain garb" of the church of her day. Because no student at the Normal School wore the "plain garb" she decided to leave the school, but the Principal B. F. Shaub, induced her to remain and assured her she would be respected for her convictions. On July 7, 1887, she was graduated from the Normal School and delivered the salutatorian address in a commendable manner.

For fourteen years she taught in the public schools of Lancaster County. Elizabethtown College began operating in 1900, and the first Catalog lists Elizabeth Myer, teacher of mathematics, elocution, and English. Other duties devolved upon her in succeeding years: preceptress of the women's hall, Superintendent of the model school, a member of Faculty committees, and editor of *Our College Times*, the official organ of the College.

*The History of the Church of the Brethren, 1915-1965*, pays this tribute to her:

Probably the most outstanding contribution she made to student life was her Chapel talks, whose humor and good sense made necessary and important lessons palatable and believable. Her quick discernment, her flexible wit, her knowledge of literature and life, and her infinite store of curious anecdotes enlivened her conversation. To discuss questions of taste, of learning, and to help the halting tongues of Pennsylvania German students was no exertion but a pleasure.

Her death occurred at the home of John Heilman in Lancaster on May 19, 1924, during the presidency of J. G. Meyer. At the time of her death she was the only member of the original Faculty still on the teaching staff.

*Our College Times* of June 1, 1924, characterized Elizabeth Myer as follows:



ELIZABETH MYER, 1863-1924

Member of Original Faculty

During all of these [twenty-four] years she was conscientious, loyal, and self sacrificing; and while her scrupulous insistence upon a high standard of living and good behavior was sometimes resented by those under her charge, no one could doubt her devotion to the right, her love for the cause of religion, and her sincere desire to influence the young people about her for good. . . . Her very eccentricities endeared her to us.

The Faculty committee on resolutions of sympathy states:

Not only as a teacher but as a friend and an adviser, she won the admiration and friendship of a host of friends. With a firm but kindly spirit she conscientiously performed every duty. In her were all the heart qualities of a true mother. With a mother's love and a mother's spirit of self-sacrifice and devotion she was faithful in administering helpfulness to every student.

Memorial services were held in the morning chapel service on May 22, 1924, and College classes were suspended for the remainder of the day. The program consisted of addresses by H. H. Nye, who spoke of her as a teacher, by R. W. Schlosser, who emphasized the Christian ideals for which she stood, and by Ethel M. B. Wenger, who dealt with her as a god mother. Students also paid short tributes to her memory. The Faculty Quartet sang two selections: "Lead Kindly Light" and "In a Far Away Land."

She was buried in the Myer Cemetery near Bareville on May 29, 1924. Myer Hall was named in her honor.

"After life's fitful fever she sleeps well."



RALPH W. SCHLOSSER, 1886-  
*President of College, January 1, 1928-1929; 1930-1941*  
*President Emeritus, 1962*

## CHAPTER SIX

# Administrations of R.W. Schlosser and H. H. Nye

### Election of President R. W. Schlosser

The Board of Trustees received a request from President H. K. Ober on October 27, 1927, that he be relieved of the presidency of Elizabethtown College at the earliest possible date on account of his failing health. The Board reluctantly granted his request which was to go into effect on January 1, 1928. Again the Board made a selection of a President from the Faculty of the College, and on November 29, 1927, unanimously elected Ralph W. Schlosser to the presidency of the College with the proviso that a field man be supplied. The man selected for the presidency of the Board began his teaching career in a two-year term in the public schools of Lancaster County. He was an instructor in high school subjects in Elizabethtown College from 1907 to 1911, a professor of languages and English from 1911 to 1918, Vice President of the College and Professor of English from 1918 to 1921, Dean of the College from 1922-1927, President of the College from January 1, 1928 to 1941, with the exception of the year 1929-1930 spent in graduate study.

From Elizabethtown College he received the degree B. Pd. in 1907, and the A. B. degree in 1911; from Ursinus College he received the A. B. degree in 1911, the A. M. degree in 1912, and the Litt. D. degree in 1932; from Columbia University he received the M. A. degree in 1922 and in 1930 completed the residence require-

ments for the Ph. D. degree. He also took courses in Religion at Bethany Theological Seminary, and at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in 1929-1930. In addition to courses taught at Elizabethtown College over a period of more than sixty years he also served as Professor of English in six summer sessions at Juniata College and in an extension course for Franklin and Marshall College.

He devoted much time to the work of the church as a Trustee of Bethany Theological Seminary, a member of the General Brotherhood Board, and an evangelist in the Church of the Brethren. His interest was also manifested in the program of the Young Men's Christian Association, Rotary International, and the Pennsylvania German Society.

### Election of President H. H. Nye

On January 1, 1929, President R. W. Schlosser requested a leave of absence to do additional work at Columbia University toward his doctorate in English Literature. On January 22, 1929, the Board voted:

That President Schlosser's request for a leave of absence be granted for one year to finish his work at the university.

The Trustees interviewed a number of persons relative to the presidency. Some were contacted by correspondence, but the selection of a President was again made from the Faculty of the College. On March 2, 1929, the Board chose by unanimous vote Harry H. Nye, secretary of the Faculty and Professor of History to fill the office. The completion of the Faculty for the year 1929-1930 "was left with President Schlosser."

As early as 1912 H. N. Nye received the degree B. Pd. from Elizabethtown College, the A. B. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1915, and the M. A. degree in History from the University of Pennsylvania in 1916. He was active in the work of the church; he served as District Sunday School Secretary 1920 to 1923; and as a member of the General Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren for several terms.

During his administration of one year the policies of the Board of Trustees and of the Faculty were zealously maintained. The courses of instruction were more definitely outlined, and steps were taken to raise the academic level of the Faculty.



HARRY H. NYE, 1883  
*President of College, 1929-1930*

### Re-election of President R. W. Schlosser

On February 14, 1930, R. W. Schlosser was again elected to the presidency of the College by a unanimous vote of the Board for a three-year term. The nation was passing through the throes of the depression days. Students experienced great difficulty in financing their education. The Faculty was asked for a Loyalty Contribution when salaries could not be paid. On one occasion only half the salary could be paid—"the balance to be paid as soon as possible."

In a meeting of the Board in this critical situation several members spoke in favor of closing the institution but S. H. Hertzler, Chairman of the Board, saved the day. After hearing several pessimistic speeches he rose and in his inimitable style presented a hopeful picture and concluded by saying:

Brethren, we did not start this College with a view to quitting.

Others were in accord with his views and finally the Board voted to go forward with the institution.

In order to create sentiment for the College and to secure more students and financial support, President Schlosser was asked by the Board to take the field for the year 1936-1937. His administrative work was divided between J. Z. Herr and A. C. Baugher.

On January 1, 1941, the Board of Trustees, after a period of deliberation on the election of a President for the next year, voted:

That upon President Schlosser's repeated request he be allowed to devote time to a teaching program,

That the Board accept the resignation of President R. W. Schlosser to take effect July 1, 1941, and that his duties following commencement be reassigned by the Executive Committee for the balance of the term. . . . Due to the valuable services President Schlosser has rendered to the College for many years we recommend that he be appointed as teacher of English for next year, and

That President Schlosser be relieved of student solicitation during the summer and that he be granted the privilege to teach two courses during the summer term instead.

In announcing the resignation of President Schlosser, *Our College Times* of January 30, 1941, states:

As unexpected as a thunder bolt came the announcement on January 3, 1941, that President R. W. Schlosser had resigned as the head of

Elizabethtown College, thus terminating a twelve and one-half years' reign at the helm of the institution.

At the Annual Conference held at Richmond, Virginia, in 1952, the Brotherhood Board of the Church of the Brethren awarded him the Certificate of Distinguished Service. He served as Moderator of the Annual Conference this same year. In 1962 the Board of Trustees conferred upon him the honor of President Emeritus of Elizabethtown College at a luncheon meeting of the Alumni Association. He was a member of the General Brotherhood Board for ten years, a Trustee of Bethany Theological Seminary, and a member of the Board of Administration of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania.

His character and work is delineated in the *History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*:

Through the years his zest and enthusiasm, inspiration and radiant personality, combined with a dedication to the teaching profession, endeared him in the hearts and minds of thousands of students. The best remembered trait in the book of testimonials given him at the Alumni Honors Luncheon was:

He was our most inspiring professor, a noble person who taught so many to lift their eyes unto the hills. . . . His great enjoyment of life had to be shared with his students. . . .

President Schlosser's basic philosophy of life is recorded in one of his letters to a senior class:

Put your life on the side of those striving to consummate a constructive program for humanity. Dare to do right at any cost. Never flinch when duty calls.

The appreciation of the student body for the work of President Schlosser was expressed in the following dedicatory notes in two of the *Etonians* of 1927 and 1949 respectively:

#### TO RALPH W. SCHLOSSER

Our respected class advisor, whose high ideals, whose scholarly achievements, whose deep devotion to the advancement of the student, whose energetic efforts for the growth of Elizabethtown College have won a place of esteem in the hearts of all, with whole-hearted sincerity and appreciation we dedicate this volume of the 1927 *Etonian*.

## TO RALPH W. SCHLOSSER

A man of character, dignity, high esteem, deep conviction and Christian ideals, one who possesses a keen sense of humor blended with a forceful personality, a teacher who adds zest to his classes, a dynamic speaker who enthralls his audiences, a minister who exemplifies the basic spirit of Elizabethtown College—to Ralph W. Schlosser, Professor of English, the Class of 1949 is honored to dedicate this *Etonian*.

On February 15, 1941, the Board of Trustees again selected a member of the Faculty to serve as President of Elizabethtown College. A. C. Baugher, Dean of the College, and President of Chemistry, was given a call to the presidency of the College.

### Changes in the Board

At the beginning of the administration of President Schlosser the Board of Trustees consisted of eight members from the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and four members from the Southern District of Pennsylvania. Jesse C. Ziegler, the first President of the Board died September 28, 1918, and S. H. Hertzler was elected to take his place. The complete reorganization was:

*Chairman*—S. H. Hertzler

*Vice Chairman*—C. L. Baker

*Secretary*—A. G. Longenecker

*Treasurer*—I. W. Taylor

On August 28, 1928, the Alumni Association requested the privilege of electing two members to the Board of Trustees. This request was spread on the Minutes of the Board until January 2, 1931, when the Board voted to send queries to the District Meetings of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania. These queries were passed by both of the supporting districts in their conferences thus giving the Alumni two representatives on the Board of Trustees.

March 17, 1936, marked the death of S. H. Hertzler after serving as Chairman of the Board for eighteen years in strenuous times for the College. At the first meeting of the Board in 1937 the following officers were elected:

*Chairman*—H. K. Ober

*Vice Chairman*—A. S. Baugher

*Secretary*—F. S. Carper

On April 19, 1938, the Board voted to present the following query to the District Meetings of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania:

The Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College asks the District Meeting of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania that the Board of Trustees be increased from fourteen to twenty-four and be elected as follows:

*Eight* to be elected by the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

*Four* to be elected by the Southern District of Pennsylvania.

*Three* to be elected by the Alumni Association.

*Eight* to be elected by the Board of Trustees.

The President of the College is to be a member *ex officio* without a vote. The Board of Trustees and the Alumni to be privileged to elect one Trustee each who is not a member of the Church of the Brethren after such individuals have been approved unanimously by the Board of Trustees.

This query was discussed in the 1938 District Meeting of Eastern Pennsylvania and referred to the Board of Trustees for further study and report to the District Meeting.

On April 25, 1940, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania passed a query very similar to the original query by the Southern District of Pennsylvania.

H. K. Ober, President of the Board, died on March 12, 1939, after a protracted illness. Because of the illness of H. K. Ober during the



RUFUS P. BUCHER, 1883-1956  
*Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1939-1954*

last year of his chairmanship of the Board, he requested J. E. Trimmer, Vice Chairman of the Board, to preside at the meetings of the Board beginning with October 18, 1938. When the Board reorganized on January 2, 1939, Rufus P. Bucher was elected Chairman; J. E. Trimmer, Vice Chairman; F. S. Carper, Secretary.

The original enlarged Board consisted of the following:

*Elected by Eastern Pennsylvania*

F. S. Carper	Palmyra, Pa.
J. W. Kettering	Elizabethtown, Pa.
R. P. Bucher	Quarryville, Pa.
A. C. Baugher	Elizabethtown, Pa.
N. K. Musser	Columbia, Pa.
S. Clyde Weaver	East Petersburg, Pa.
Rufus P. Royer	Denver, Pa.
Michael Kurtz	Richland, Pa.

*Elected by Southern Pennsylvania*

N. S. Sellers	Lineboro, Md.
G. Howard Danner	Abbottstown, Pa.
J. E. Trimmer	Carlisle, Pa.
C. E. Grapes	Greencastle, Pa.

*Nominated by the Alumni*

K. Ezra Bucher	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
John M. Miller	Lititz, Pa.
Charles E. Weaver	Manheim, Pa.

*Nominated by the Board*

John Sprenkle	York, Pa.
D. H. Martin	Elizabethtown, Pa.
J. Linwood Isenberg	Shippensburg, Pa.
Samuel S. Wenger	Lancaster, Pa.
Jacob K. Garman	Elizabethtown, Pa.
Paul Grubb, Sr.	Elizabethtown, Pa.

## Faculty

The Faculty of the College prior to 1928 comprised a number of outstanding teachers in their respective fields but only one person, D. C. Reber, held an earned doctor's degree. Three members of the Faculty held honorary doctor's degrees. However, in securing professors who held earned doctorates, the Board soon discovered that an earned doctor's degree was no absolute guarantee of efficiency in teaching or administrative work.

According to the Catalogs from 1928 to 1941, the Board of Trustees employed during that period fifteen professors with earned doctor's degrees, two with honorary doctor's degrees, and fifteen with master's degrees. The addition to the Faculty of those with earned doctor's degrees gave impetus to some of the best teachers in the College to devote part of their time either by leave of absence, or while teaching, to complete their work for the doctorate.

The influence of men like Norman Grier, Edgar S. Kiracofe, H. Harold Hartzler, Donald M. Hill, Raymond P. G. Bowman, J. I. Baugher, A. C. Baugher, George S. Shortess, O. Stuart Hamer, and Forrest L. Weller can not be overestimated in the upgrading of the academic level of the Faculty.

During the administration of President R. W. Schlosser, the following teachers in the various departments gave academic and professional stature to the College.

### *Department of History*

H. H. Nye	1926-1929
Lavinia Roop Wenger	1930-1940

### *Department of English*

Jacob S. Harley	1920-1927
Harry Mountjoy	1928
Rebekah S. Sheaffer	1929-1940

### *Department of Modern Languages*

Jacob S. Harley	1910-1927
Joseph Martinez	1927-1928
G. R. Saylor	1929-1945
L. D. Rose	1929-1939

*Department of Commercial Education*

J. Z. Herr	1905-1945
Luella M. Bowman	1927-1939
T. K. Musick	1928-1941

*Department of Mathematics*

D. E. Myers	1925-1934
H. Harold Hartzler	1935-1936
Donald M. Hill	1936-1941

*Department of Education*

J. I. Baugher	1926-1929
Lavinia Roop Wenger	1929-1939
O. Stuart Hamer	1930-1932
E. S. Kiracofe	1933-1936
A. G. Breidenstine	1937-1938
Raymond P. G. Bowman	1939-1940

*Department of Sociology*

Ezra Wenger	1929-1937
Forrest L. Weller	1938-1945

*Department of Biology*

George D. Knight	1928-1929
Norman M. Grier	1929-1930
George S. Shortess	1930-1942

*Department of Chemistry*

A. C. Baugher	1919-1945
Oscar F. Stambaugh	1946-present

*Department of Music*

Ephraim G. Meyer	1921-1948
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*Department of Bible*

Martha Martin	1924-1949
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*J. Z. Herr*

Especial attention must be paid at this point to a member of the Faculty who began his teaching career at Elizabethtown College in 1905 as an instructor in Commercial Subjects, Penmanship, and Drawing. This individual was Jacob Z. Herr, who was graduated from Elizabethtown College in the English Scientific Course in 1905. In September, 1905, he was elected to the principalship of the



JACOB Z. HERR  
Treasurer of College 29 years

Commercial Department of the College and served three years. The next two years he was the bookkeeper for a manufacturing establishment in Elizabethtown. Following this work he was again selected to head the Commercial Department of the College and for three years he taught Penmanship and Commercial Law. For the next seven years he was a cost accountant for the Stiefel and Freeman Company of Lancaster and office manager for the Sanitary Milk Company.

In the midst of this successful business career he decided rather reluctantly to leave his home in Lititz, move to Elizabethtown, and become the Director of the School of Finance at Elizabethtown College. This move was made at a considerable financial sacrifice.

For the next twenty-nine years he served as Treasurer and Business Manager of the College and at the same time carried practical-

ly a full teaching load in commercial subjects. He was succeeded by K. Ezra Bucher as Treasurer in 1946. How he guided the financial program through the Depression Years was almost a miraculous achievement. Salaries of teachers were withheld, but their loyalty was unaffected—they even established a Loyalty Fund so that the College might survive.

The Board of Trustees asked him to make a complete appraisement of the assets and liabilities of the College as they were to be presented to the State Council of Education in connection with the application for the state accreditation of the College.

He was also a master mind in the arrangement of the college courses in Business Administration and in Commercial Education. Before the State Normal Schools offered a four-year college course in the preparation of teachers of commercial teachers in the high schools he consulted with Dr. Kaylor of the State Department of Public Instruction, after the College was accredited, and together they prepared a four-year course for teachers of commercial subjects to appear in the Catalog of Elizabethtown College for the year 1923-1924. This course, with slight revisions, became the pattern for the State Normal Schools offering a course for teachers of Commercial Subjects in high schools.

His vision of the educational field was also evident in his planning a course in Business Administration on the cumulative method as administered by institutions such as Antioch College in Ohio. The plan met with success in the outstart, but too few students enrolled to make the plan practical. Two outstanding students completed this course in 1930—I. Wayne Keller, who became in later years Comptroller of the Armstrong Linoleum Company, and Harold I. Ebersole also associated with this company.

Jacob Z. Herr was also one of the prime movers of the building of Lake Placida on the College campus, the grading of the old athletic field, and the beautiful landscaping of the College campus. He was also Chairman of the Building Committee for the erection of the Student Alumni Gymnasium and in 1936 and 1937, Director of Camp Conewago, a young peoples' camp on the grounds of the institution. It was largely at his suggestion that the Board of Trustees, from time to time, purchased additional tracts of ground adjacent to the College so as to provide for future expansion of the institution.

For one term he was elected Chairman of the Commercial Section of the Southern District of the Pennsylvania Education Association.

His academic record follows:

B. E.—Elizabethtown College, 1905  
Graduate of Lebanon Business College  
Graduate of Zanerian Art College  
Two years at Millersville Normal School  
Student—Bennet School of Higher Accounting  
Student—Ohio State University  
Student—Columbia University, 1921

His professional record:

Ten years—Public Accountant, Auditor, Office and Sales Manager  
1921-1945—Treasurer of Board of Trustees  
1916-1945—Treasurer and Business Manager, Elizabethtown College

Dedication of *Etonian* for 1931:

To JACOB ZUG HERR

Advisor of the Class of 1931, whose respected, cheerful disposition, friendly counsel and advice, and energetic, efficient efforts for the growth of Elizabethtown College, have won for him a place of esteem in the hearts of the entire student body, this volume of the *Etonian* is respectfully dedicated.

We do well to honor such men of sacrifice, devotion, and integrity.

*Martha Martin, Instructor in Bible*

From the beginning of Elizabethtown College emphasis was placed upon Bible study in the students' program. The early Bible Terms which were held annually over a period of several weeks were attended by the entire student body. In 1907 L. Margaret Haas was employed as the first regular Instructor in Bible on the College Faculty. The following years brought other instructors: Earl E. Eshelman in 1907, Lydia Stauffer in 1910, Ezra Wenger in 1920, Franklin J. Byer in 1921, Densie Hollinger in 1923, and Martha Martin in 1924. Miss Martin served as Instructor in Bible until 1949.



MARTHA MARTIN  
Bible Teacher, 1924-1949

Miss Martin received an A. B. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1924; was a student at Bethany Bible School, Chicago, during the summers of 1920 and 1926, and at the Biblical Seminary in New York City, 1929-1931; and was a graduate student in the University of Pennsylvania Extension Course in 1934-35. She was appointed as Instructor in Bible at the College in 1924 and continued in this position for twenty-five years when she was awarded the honor of Emerita Instructor in Bible. During the year 1929 she also served as Registrar for the College.

To be more helpful to ministers, Sunday School workers and other people in the home who desired better preparation for Christian service, the College in 1941 began offering courses for church workers not desiring college credit. For these individuals Miss Martin, Head of the Bible Department, was asked to conduct classes at the College on Friday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30. The first class scheduled continued over a period of ten weeks and had an enrollment of fifty-one students from ten congregations. For a number of years Miss Martin and several additional members of the Faculty assisted in this work.

Miss Martin was also a member of the Women's Fellowship of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and served as their Director of Bible Study. She also conducted numerous Bible Institutes in local

congregations of the Church of the Brethren as well as directing many Vacation Bible Schools in the Districts supporting the College.

She was, at the time of her death, the only living Charter Member of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren. She will be remembered for her courses based on the content of the Old and New Testaments and for her Exposition of the Teachings of Jesus and of the New Testament Epistles.

As a mark of appreciation for her devotion to the cause of Christian education the *Conestogan* of 1953 was dedicated to her in the following words:

With her radiant smile and cheerful countenance, she guides us in learning truths from God's word. From the opening prayer to the final assignment, her classes in Bible study impart scriptural knowledge and inspiration to students of all faiths.

Over a period of twenty-five years as instructor in Bible, her consecrated life has challenged thousands of men and women to devote themselves to God's will. Through her inspired teaching, stimulating poems, and friendly conversation, we experience the joy of her Christian witness.

The dedication of our lives in service to mankind may be the larger expression of our appreciation for her part in showing us the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

This dedication of the 1953 *Conestogan* to our esteemed teacher and friend, Miss Martha Martin, is the tangible expression of our appreciation.

## Courses of Study

At the beginning of President Schlosser's administration the College offered five four-year courses leading to a degree: a course in Education leading to an A. B. degree; a course in Liberal Arts to an A. B. degree; a course in Science to a B. S. degree; a course in Commercial Education to a B. S. degree and a course in Economics to a B. S. degree, and a course in Economics which was dropped in 1931.

The Catalog for 1928-1929 lists three junior college courses. Students completing these courses were given certificates of graduation but not regarded as members of the graduating class.

One of these courses was in Commercial Education and was approved by the Department of Public Instruction as meeting the full

requirements of the State Standard Certificate to teach commercial subjects in the high schools of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Upon one additional year of academic and professional training and four years of successful teaching experience, a State Standard Permanent Certificate was then issued.

A similar course of two years was offered in General Education and was approved by the State Department of Public Instruction as the equivalent of a two-year State Normal Course. Upon completion of this course the College issued a Junior College Certificate and granted the Standard Temporary Certificate issued by the Department of Public Instruction. After four years of successful teaching the certificate was made permanent.

The third junior college course offered was in the field of pre-medical education. Some medical schools at this time were enrolling students with two years of college education. But Elizabethtown College much preferred to have students complete a four-year pre-medical course which was fast becoming a necessary requirement for entrance to an accredited medical school.

### Faculty Club Organization

A number of the Faculty for some time were of the opinion that more sociability ought to be cultivated in their midst, and consequently on January 3, 1930, a Faculty Club was organized at the home of Rebekah S. Sheaffer in Bareville, Pa. At this meeting President Schlosser read a paper stating that the purpose of the Club was the mental and social stimulation of the members of the Faculty. The conclusion of the paper dealt with the theme: "The Cultivation of a Literary Taste." An enthusiastic discussion followed the reading of the paper.

Many are the happy memories of club meetings attended not only by the Faculty but also by the wives and husbands of Faculty members. One memorable night witnessed a burlesque presentation of the Pyramus and Thisbe episode from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

The first elected officers of the Club were:

*President*—R. W. Schlosser

*Vice President*—A. C. Baugher

*Secretary*—Rebekah S. Sheaffer

## Student Enrollment

Notwithstanding the Depression of 1929 and the resulting effects of this financial crisis in the years following, the enrollment during the years of the administration of President Schlosser averaged one hundred and sixty students. The Faculty personnel remained almost constant and the number of College graduates reached its highest peak of forty-three in the year 1938-1939.

In addition to the regular enrollment for the year, the extra Summer Sessions and the Spring Sessions registered as many more and, in the earlier years, more students than during the regular school year. As teachers met the requirements for a State Standard Certificate or college degree, the number of students in these short sessions decreased. During these years a number of extension classes were also conducted by members of the Faculty in a number of centers in Eastern Pennsylvania.

*Enrollment Statistics*

Year	Regular Students	Summer and Normal	Graduates	Faculty
1927-28	131	299	35	19
1928-29	159	371	31	18
1929-30	179	263	36	20
1930-31	165	259	30	17
1931-32	144	182	36	17
1932-33	122	137	25	19
1933-34	155	112	27	19
1934-35	156	134	31	19
1935-36	163	148	28	19
1936-37	177	156	36	19
1937-38	182	163	36	20
1938-39	169	172	43	20
1939-40	159	178	33	20
1940-41	158	189	42	20

## Additional Recognition

Elizabethtown College received recognition from a number of agencies before the institution was accredited by the Middle States

Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. On March 15, 1928, the State Board of Law Examiners recommended Elizabethtown College for accreditation for pre-legal education and was approved by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. The official statement of approval of the College for pre-legal education follows:

Dear Dr. Schlosser:

I am pleased to advise you that the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has approved the recommendation of the Board of Law Examiners to place Elizabethtown College upon the approved list of colleges, degrees from which are accepted for registration in lieu of preliminary examinations.

W. L. Douglas, Jr.  
Secretary

March 15, 1928

The General Education Board of the Church of the Brethren in 1932 appointed Dr. Robert L. Kelly as an official inspector and surveyor of the nine Brethren colleges in the United States. Dr. Kelly was the Executive Secretary of the Council of Church Boards of Education; his mission was to visit the colleges and to submit recommendations, criticisms, and suggestions to the General Education Board of the Church of the Brethren for the strengthening and enlarging of the Brethren colleges.

In his visit to Elizabethtown College May 8 to 12, 1932, he delivered several addresses to the Faculty and students. In his Chapel address he stated:

Two great proponents of the philosophy that religion must be a vital part of education are the two greatest products of Christianity, the Apostle Paul and St. Augustine. The Apostle taught that all knowledge and learning must be seasoned with love. St. Augustine developed a plan for personal betterment by means of contemplative meditation.

After a number of conferences with Dr. Kelly, his recommendations were implemented by the College and an application for membership in the Association of American Colleges was forwarded.

The Executive Committee of the Association passed favorably on

the application of Elizabethtown College for membership on May 2, 1935, and on January 16, 1936, the College was formally received as a member of the Association of American Colleges.

The official notification states:

My dear President Schlosser:

I take pleasure in advising you that at the meeting of the Executive Committee yesterday Elizabethtown College was approved for membership in the Association. The final vote will be taken by the Association as a whole at the Annual Meeting to be held at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, on January 16, 1936.

May 3, 1935

Sincerely yours,

R. L. Kelly  
Executive Secretary  
Association of American Colleges

This Association is not an accrediting agency even though its standards of admission compare favorably with those of the Middle States Association.

At a meeting of the colleges of the Middle States Association at Atlantic City in 1936, Elizabethtown College was admitted to the Association of Collegiate Registrars and to the Association of College Deans and Advisors of Men.

Steps were next taken to secure membership in the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, which association is an accrediting agency. For some time it had been the policy of some universities to place graduates of Elizabethtown College on their individual merits, and to give them credit upon the successful completion of courses in their graduate schools. Thus Elizabethtown College continued to depend for the success of its students in graduate work upon scholastic merit and Christian character.

In the Faculty meeting of October 12, 1936, the requirements for membership in the Middle States Association were discussed and on November 9, 1936, an application for membership in the Middle States Association was forwarded to its Executive Secretary. For a number of succeeding years President Schlosser and Dean A. C.

Baugher attended the Annual Meetings of the Association and promoted the pending membership of Elizabethtown College, but it was not until May 5, 1948, that the College was admitted to membership in the Middle States Association.

### **Intercollegiate Debating**

The zest for debating at Elizabethtown College was created prior to 1922 in the Keystone and Homerian Literary societies. Practically every meeting of these societies scheduled a debate in which students and Faculty members participated. By the organization of debating teams in 1922 the College entered upon intercollegiate debating on November 24, 1924. R. W. Schlosser, then Dean of the College, coached the debaters and promoted the organization of a Men's Debating Association in 1925 and a Women's Debating Association in 1926. The first officers of the Women's Debating Association were: Mary Hykes, Manager; Ruth Ober, Assistant Manager; and Sara Conner, Secretary-Treasurer.

Over a period of fifteen years the scope of debating included the following institutions: Ursinus, Juniata, Western Maryland, Lebanon Valley, Bucknell, Muhlenberg, Capital University, Susquehanna, Albright, Bridgewater, Waynesburg, Hillsdale, Bluffton, Heidelberg, Manchester, Shippensburg, Thiel, Penn State, Fairmount, Catawba, Mount Saint Mary's, Geneva, Franklin and Marshall, Upsala, Gettysburg, Moravian, Rider, Villa Nova, Immaculata, Lincoln University, Rutgers, Drexel Institute, and others.

Most of these debates were judged by three persons, by a critic judge, or by the audience. A few debates were without a rendered decision. During the period reviewed, about one hundred and fifty debates were held with teams on tours several of these years. The total score of these debates reveals the following: debates won, ninety-three; debates lost, forty; nine debates with no decision rendered by judges.

After the election of R. W. Schlosser to the presidency of the College, G. R. Saylor was appointed Coach of Debate. Debating was at its height from 1930 to 1938, but after this period, debating was on the wane until the beginning of the next decade.

During the year 1936-1937, Elizabethtown College became a probationary petitioning institution for membership in Tau Kappa

Alpha, a national honorary forensic fraternity, and on June 5, 1937, the first initiation of members into T. K. A. took place. The charter members consisted of R. W. Schlosser, G. R. Saylor, Leah Musser, Mildred Miller, Robert L. Madeira, Elwood Lentz, and M. Richard Shaull.

### Forensic Arts Club

On October 15, 1934, the Faculty voted approval of a Forensic Arts Club so as to combine the forensic activities of the campus. The activities to be fostered were: debating, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and interpretative reading. The club was also to look forward to the establishing of some organization such as Tau Kappa Alpha. The constitution stated:

Every member of the student body is an associate member but active membership is open only to those who have participated in intercollegiate debating or in college oratory.

The monthly meetings are patterned somewhat after those of the former literary society: a debate on matters of campus interest, a parliamentary drill, or an interpretative reading contest. The interpretative reading contests may be held as part of the work of the expression class.

The Club in its first years sponsored an Oratorical Contest, the Elizabeth Myer Extempore Speaking Contest, and intercollegiate debating. The officers elected on October 30, 1934, were:

J. Herbert Miller, *President*

Leah E. Musser, *Secretary*

LeRoy Eshelman, *Treasurer*

President Schlosser was appointed Faculty Advisor

### Dramatics

Prior to 1927 the Trustees, sensing the attitude of a majority of the constituency of the College with reference to stage performances, ruled against dramatic performances at the College. But sentiment for dramatic performances was strong among the students as was evident by permission given the Senior Class to present a Shakespearean play on April 29, 1927. The play chosen by the Class was

*Macbeth* and was coached by President Schlosser. The main roles were taken by Eli M. Engle, Desmond W. Bittinger, Samuel S. Wenger, Aaron G. Breidenstine, Robert Dotterer, and Pauline Greene. The next two years saw the presentation of the *Taming of the Shrew* and the *Faith Healer*.

When President Schlosser was on leave of absence at Columbia University during the year 1929-1930, there was need for someone to assume the duties of Coach of Dramatics. Fortunately Rebekah S. Sheaffer was employed in September, 1929, as Dean of Women and Professor of English at Elizabethtown College, and was selected by the Faculty as Director of Dramatics, a position she filled until May 26, 1941.

For this assignment as Dean of Women and Professor of English she was well qualified as the following record indicates:

B.Pd., 1913, Elizabethtown College

A. B., 1919, Ursinus College

A. M., 1929, Columbia University

Teacher of English, 1919-20, Ephrata High School

Instructor, 1920-1921, Educational Recruiting Center, Camp Upton, N.Y.

Principal, 1921-1928, Woodstown High School, Woodstown, N.J.



REBEKAH S. SHEAFFER  
Dean of Women, 1930-1941  
Professor of English and Coach of  
Dramatics, 1930-1941

Her forceful personality and tact in dealing with young people were a valuable asset in building the morale of the College. Her high intellectual attainments contributed, together with her classroom technique, to her ability as a master teacher.

With this background she was able to coach plays so that the actors as well as the audience found enjoyment in the productions she staged. With students who never trod the stage prior to coming to college, she fashioned actors that interpreted plays so that audiences were spell-bound. From her first play, *Prunella*, on April 30, 1930, and *Caponsacchi* on May 22, 1931, to her last play, *Little Women*, on April 4, 1941, the Student Alumni Auditorium was filled to capacity. These years were the Golden Age of Drama at Elizabethtown College.

*Prunella*, the first play she coached was presented by the Senior Class on April 30, 1930. Her real ability, however, as a coach of drama was evident in the presentation of *Caponsacchi* by the Senior Class on May 22, 1931. *Our College Times* hailed it as "the best play produced on College Hill." During the years 1930 to 1941 the Senior Class and the Sock and Buskin Club averaged a play respectively each year. The following plays were presented to large appreciative audiences:

*Caponsacchi*, *The Goose Hangs High*, *Let Us Be Gay*, *The Merchant of Venice*, *Death Takes a Holiday*, *The Rivals*, *The Fool*, *The Servant in the House*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *The Swan*, *Admiral Crichton*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, *So This Is London*, *Penrod*, *She Stoops to Conquer*, *Three Cornered Moon*, *Cat o'Nine Tails*, *Silas Marner*, *The Dust of the Earth*, *Little Women*.

The excellence of performance of these plays was attested to by the attendance of groups of students from our neighboring colleges and by the large attendance of the students of Elizabethtown College and the local community.

Rebekah S. Sheaffer also directed a pageant put on by the Senior Class of 1932 in which the history of Elizabethtown College was delineated in a series of tableaus beginning with the first meeting in 1898 to consider the organization of a college and ending with a foregleam of college life in 1942. A large crowd witnessed the nine tableaus of the pageant on June 4, 1932.

During the year 1932-1933 a Pennsylvania German translation of the Court Scene in *The Merchant of Venice* by President Schlosser was performed at the Perkiomen Seminary, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania, and for a number of years afterward presented over radio stations and on the stage at Temple University, Albright College and Elizabethtown College. The play also constituted a portion of the program of meetings of the Pennsylvania German Folklore Society and the Pennsylvania German Society.

The following year, 1933-34, selections from *Wilhelm Tell* were presented at the College in German under the direction of L. D. Rose, Professor of German.

The last play coached by Rebekah S. Sheaffer was *Little Women* on April 4, 1941. The gratitude of the Sock and Buskin Club was evinced in a dinner held in her honor at the Hershey Hotel on May 9, 1941. An oft repeated comment on the plays produced under her direction was:

The success of the play was due to the vigorous coaching of Miss Sheaffer.

The *Etonian* for 1936-1937 was dedicated to Rebekah S. Sheaffer in the following statement:

We honor Rebekah S. Sheaffer for her outstanding contributions in English instruction, in dramatics, in the social life of the College, embodied in her deanship and in the new social room; in a word for all she has done toward making our life on College Hill more beautiful.

### Sock and Buskin Club

The interest in drama created by Rebekah S. Sheaffer, Coach of Dramatics, led to the organization of the Sock and Buskin Club on October 22, 1930. The persons elected to direct the program of dramatics at the College were:

E. Floy Schlosser, *President*

Margaret Schaeffer, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Rebekah S. Sheaffer, *Coach*

The first performance by the Club, *The Goose Hangs High*, was on April 21, 1931. Individual members of the Club also coached short plays over the course of the following years under the direction

of Miss Sheaffer. Regarding the performances of this Club, a news item stated:

Excellent acting, new lighting effects and stage settings always different, increased the interest and enthusiasm of the followers of drama on the campus and in the town.

The members of the Sock and Buskin Club witnessed a number of dramatic performances in Harrisburg and Philadelphia in which outstanding celebrities of the stage participated. Many enjoyable trips were made in the Prexy's "Crock," a Buick sedan of old vintage and balking propensities. The College *Etonian* for 1932 records details of a group of students returning from seeing a performance of *Street Scene* in Philadelphia:

With all due respect to the various puddle jumpers, arks, and open air chariots on the hill, we particularly raise our hats in awe and respect and even gratitude to the Prexy "Crock." . . . No one knows how far the "Crock" has travelled. The register says somewhere around 45,000 miles, but long since has the speedometer ceased functioning. It was the "Crock" that helped to make Elizabethtown College, for it carried our President over the entire districts of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania.

The "Crock" holds an important place in the memories of many of the students, particularly those who went to Philadelphia to see *Street Scene*. All the other cars that carried our dramatic club were so commonplace and new. But the "Crock"—at every traffic light whether it showed red or green, the "Crock" had to stop for a breath of fresh air.

As to the capacity of the "Crock" there is no limit. Even though students and professors may have become disgusted with the "Crock" for its momentary idle periods, it must be remembered that the dear old "Crock" must have its draughts of gasoline just as any modern flapper car. Then Hail to the "Crock!"

## Athletics

### *Football*

On October 27, 1927, the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College adopted the following policy regarding the game of football:

The Board is endeavoring to maintain the ideals and purposes of the founders of the College which might be briefly stated as a harmonious development of the intellectual, moral, physical and spiritual life of

the student. We are thoroughly convinced that football will not contribute to any of these desirable qualities in a student or in any one else for that matter. The contention that it aids in the development of the physical is not sustained except as it may apply to a very limited percentage of the student body and even then at a fearful risk and at the expense of crippled bodies of some of their fellows or worse.

In this connection it is only fair to say that any abnormal development of the physical is not conducive to longevity, as most athletes die comparatively young. Many of our leading educators are condemning the game as brutal and tending to divert the interest of the entire student body from the main purpose of the school. This of course is largely so where the game has arrived at a point of intercollegiate contests.

The initial step in this direction is to play the game at home. One of the strong points against the game is that only those who have strong bodies can participate and those who need physical development are not helped but rather endanger their lives by exposure in witnessing the game.

In the estimation of the Board ample facilities are provided, and under way, for exercise, and games of a milder form permitted and fostered for physical development, not for the few, but for all students.

An urgent request comes from an alumnus just out of school that the *brutal* and *unchristian* game be forbidden. Other alumni are protesting as well as a large percentage of our constituency.

We are aware of the fact that some of the students are making an earnest plea for this privilege and some are contending that unless they acquire a fair knowledge of the game they are therefore disqualified for a high school position, because this game is played in our high schools. We admit that it would disqualify for heading the athletic department of the high school but not necessarily for the other positions on a high school faculty. In the Elizabethtown High School faculty there are now eight teachers, only one of whom is charged with directing the athletic activities, at least as far as football is concerned. This proportion would likely hold in most of the high schools of the county and surrounding territory. In cities a very much smaller percentage of the teachers would be required to supervise athletics.

The argument that the game needs clean, fair players to remove the objections usually advanced against it, does not appeal to the Board on the ground that a game that is fundamentally wrong because it is brutal, to say the least, can not be cleaned up. The number of people

that have been killed, to say nothing of the still larger number that have been injured is evidence of this fact.

The explanation that college presidents make to parents when the corpse of their son is sent home that it was an accident is not much comfort to the bereaved parents....

For these reasons as well as others that might be named, but primarily because of the aims, purposes and ideals of the founders of the College, we can not give our consent to allow the game under the auspices of the College.

To our students who may be somewhat disappointed with this decision we would say we do not censure them for the desire to play this game because of the appeal it has for the young mind and blood and surplus energy which needs an outlet as a sort of safety valve, but we are confident this energy can find expression in milder games, and the morals and especially the spiritual standards be better maintained and exercised.



*First and Last  
Football Squad, 1928*

In a semi-clandestine manner a group of students "the brutal thirteen," arranged for five games with West Chester Normal School, Millersville Normal School, Beckley College, Kutztown Normal School and Lebanon High School. These games were played without the sanction of the College authorities during September and October, 1928. All the games were lost by the Elizabethtown College team, but the spirit of the game was riding high in spite of

their losses and with the official sword of Damocles, hanging over their heads. *Our College Times* commenting on this attempt at football for Elizabethtown College stated on April 25, 1929:

There was a spirit in the games even though they were lost. But this spark was smothered by those worthy trustees who came to the conclusion that football is a brutal game and would attract a class of undesirable students to Elizabethtown College. It seems as though this was the beginning and is also the end of football at Elizabethtown College.

With the emphasis later placed on soccer, there has been little pressure for football. A member of the ill-fated team found solace in "it was better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all."

### *Intercollegiate Basketball*

The issue on intercollegiate basketball became acute following the illegitimately scheduled football games of the months of September and October, 1928. The Board of Trustees perceiving sentiment in the Faculty for intercollegiate sports called seven members of the Faculty to a meeting of the Board on January 22, 1929, to state their views on intercollegiate sports. Some of the members invited to the meeting feared the loss of students if the College had no program of intercollegiate sports, some advocated a limited number of controlled, well regulated games, and some voiced objection to football.

A committee composed of S. H. Hertzler, I. W. Taylor, Rufus P. Bucher and Samuel G. Meyer was appointed to frame a policy regarding intercollegiate basketball. The committee reported to the Board on February 13, 1929. The following decision was adopted:

We regret very much that concessions have been made to students on this question that were not authorized by the Board, but since they have been made, and the Faculty as well as a large percentage of the patrons do not object to a limited number of controlled or supervised games, exclusive of football, the committee decides to permit such intercollegiate contests as may be agreed upon annually by the Administrative Committee and the Athletic Council and approved by the Board of Trustees and also that no financial concessions be made to students on the ground of athletics.

To implement this action of the Board, the Faculty of the College adopted rules to govern intercollegiate athletics:

*First*, that the athletic program of the College be under the supervision of the Athletic Council composed of a member of the Alumni Association, two members of the Faculty, two students, and the Physical Director;

*Second*, that the Managers of the teams submit to the Administrative Committee of the Faculty through the Athletic Council the schedule of games for approval;

*Third*, that athletes be in good scholastic standing;

*Fourth*, that no student under twenty-one years of age may participate in intercollegiate sports without permission of his parents or guardian;

*Fifth*, that a member of an athletic team cannot play in the games if he uses tobacco;

*Sixth*, that no more than eighteen basketball games be scheduled for the year 1929-1930.

The first organized Athletic Council comprised:

Kenneth Mateer, *Physical Director*

J. Z. Herr, *Faculty Representative*

D. E. Myers, *Faculty Representative*

Harold I. Ebersole, *Student Representative*

Clyde S. Dieter, *Student Representative*

F. L. Olweiler, *Alumni Representative*

The earliest attempt at intramural athletics was made in 1921 with the organization of the Athletic Association of Elizabethtown College. The officers elected were:

*President*—Daniel E. Myers

*Vice President*—Clarence B. Sollenberger

*Secretary*—Margaret Oellig

*Treasurer*—Nathan G. Meyer

For the year 1922-1923 Lester N. Myer was the Physical Director of the College, but the program of intramural athletics was greatly enlarged by Daniel E. Myers who directed the program of Physical Education from the year 1925-1926 to 1928-1929.

Entrance into intercollegiate basketball was made on December 8, 1928, when a team coached by Ira R. Herr, who had successfully coached the Elizabethtown High School teams, played a game with Millersville Normal School and won the contest. President Schlosser tossed the ball at center in the old gymnasium in Rider Hall and

thus officially opened the program of intercollegiate athletics at Elizabethtown College. The schedule for 1928-1929 listed sixteen games and the following year seventeen games were played. For the years 1929-1930 to 1931-1932 Kenneth H. Mateer filled the office of Director of Physical Education and coached basketball and baseball teams.

The Women's Basketball team was coached during its first year 1928-1929 by Harry B. Bower and the following two years by Kenneth H. Mateer.

Ira R. Herr was elected to the Faculty of Elizabethtown College in September, 1932, as Coach of Athletics. He coached both the men and the women in basketball. This position he held over a period of thirty years, and was then honored by the College as Professor Emeritus of Physical Education.

The *Lancaster Sunday News* of January 25, 1970, commenting on the honors bestowed upon Coach Herr at the dedication of the new Alumni Physical Education Center stated:

Ira R. Herr for years and years and years was athletics at Elizabethtown College, and but for his singular sagaciousness and drive there might never have been a major sports program at Elizabethtown College, let alone a \$1.3 million dollar sports building standing in the midst of the halls of learning on the Elizabethtown campus.

### *Intercollegiate Baseball*

Intercollegiate baseball games were first played in 1929-1930 under the direction of Coach Mateer. When Ira R. Herr was elected Coach of Athletics he took over the direction of the entire intercollegiate program. The first years were discouraging because subsidized athletes on opposing teams were not found on the campus of Elizabethtown College. At a game with a strong team of subsidized athletes, the Coach and a spectator were noting the batting practice in the warm up of a baseball game. The spectator said:

It must be the dream of every coach to receive his players in full bloom from high school and do nothing but mold a game.

Coach Herr commented:

Probably so, but the supreme thrill to me is seeing a diamond in the rough report as a freshman and develop into a first stringer.

Coach Herr was looked upon by his athletes as a "father to players." So successful was he with his neophytes that in one season his baseball team won nine games straight and lost only one game. Winning a game brought joy to him, but his supreme delight was in playing a clean game no matter which team won. His motto is aptly stated by a poet:

When that great Scorer comes  
To write against your name.  
It matters not if you lost or won  
But how you played the game.

During the period from 1918 to 1941 tennis tournaments and intercollegiate contests also attracted many students. Daniel E. Myers coached these players and accompanied them on many of their tours. A beginning was also made in track and cross country as early as 1929-1930.

### Student Alumni Gymnasium Auditorium

As early as May 30, 1925, the Alumni Board of Directors, realizing the insufficiency of gymnasium facilities in the basement of Rider Memorial Hall, began planning for the erection of a gymnasium on the campus of Elizabethtown College. They asked President Schlosser and Treasurer J. Z. Herr to secure plans for a gymnasium to cost approximately \$60,000. The preliminary plans called for a playing floor 80 x 100 feet and an auditorium. On April 30, 1926, the Directors of the Alumni Association appointed J. Z. Herr, J. I. Baugher and President R. W. Schlosser to contact a fund raising agency to secure the money needed. The Board of Directors then authorized the President and Secretary of the Alumni Association to sign a contract jointly with the Board of Trustees of the College to employ Bayard Heydrick to plan the campaign to raise \$70,000 at a cost of \$4550. The College loaned \$5000 to the Alumni Association to launch the campaign. On October 18, 1926, the total raised to date was \$20,000. The Directors of the Association then voted to employ Kast and Kelker as architects for the gymnasium. They also voted to use the campaign funds to match a prospective gift of \$25,000 conditionally promised. At this stage President H. K.

Ober asked to be relieved of his duties as Manager of the Auditorium-Gymnasium Campaign, and Treasurer J. Z. Herr was appointed to take up the management of the campaign on November 19, 1926.



*Student Alumni Gymnasium  
Dedicated May 25, 1929*

Because the necessary funds needed to erect the planned building were insufficient, the Board of Directors voted to erect in 1927 a building of reduced size. On June 7, 1927, Luther Wohlsen of Lancaster submitted a bid for the erection of a gymnasium at a cost of \$37,000. Treasurer Herr was asked to raise the required cash needed to start construction. As the funds were still insufficient for the contemplated building, the Directors of the Alumni Association recommended to the Board of Trustees that an auditorium-gymnasium be built at an estimated cost of \$22,000. This structure was to be 60 x 70 feet in size and construction to begin on August 1, 1927. The prospective gift of \$25,000 was to be set aside as endowment for the building and the athletic field.

President Schlosser, Frank W. Groff, J. Z. Herr and John M. Gibble were appointed as a building committee by the Board of Trustees of the College. Frank W. Groff did not accept the appointment and A. P. Wenger was substituted for him. By the end of the year 1928 the Student Alumni Auditorium-Gymnasium was a reality and

a dedicatory service was held on May 25, 1929, in the gymnasium. The program follows:

Invocation . . . . .	Dean A. C. Baugher '22
Piano . . . . .	Mrs. Daniel Myers '24
Remarks by Chairman . . . . .	President R. W. Schlosser '11
Presentation . . . . .	J. Z. Herr '05
	<i>Chairman of Building Committee</i>
Acceptance . . . . .	S. H. Hertzler
	<i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Vocal Solo . . . . .	Tillman H. Ebersole '11
Dedicatory Address . . . . .	B. F. Waltz '14
	<i>Pastor, Altoona Church of the Brethren</i>
Dedicatory Prayer . . . . .	C. L. Baker
	<i>Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Alma Mater	

On February 19, 1938 ,the Alumni Council decided to put on a drive to clear the remaining debt on the building by appeals to be made to the graduating classes of former years. Of the money solicited one-half was to be used for the Student Loan Fund and the other half for the debt on the Alumni Gymnasium. The amount of debt remaining on the building when it was completed amounted to \$3250. In 1943 the Alumni Association paid this debt out of contributions from Alumni and friends of the College.

The College will always be grateful to the Alumni who took the basketball games and physical education classes out of the dingy gymnasium in Rider Hall with its low ceiling and dangerous pillars to a full sized gymnasium floor. This building with a large stage and lighting facilities, with a seating capacity of 1500 persons, with bleachers and a balcony, with a regulation sized basketball floor, and with shower facilities for men and women, served the College acceptably for nearly thirty years for athletic events, dramatics, lectures, chapel services and banquets.

### Gibble Science Hall

As early as July 18, 1916, considerable interest was aroused among the Faculty and Trustees for the erection of a science building. J. G. Meyer, then a member of the Faculty, presented to the Board of

Trustees a drawing for a Science Building. The reaction was favorable and a committee of three—J. W. G. Hershey, S. H. Hertzler, and J. G. Meyer—was appointed to study the matter. At the next meeting of the Board, the committee presented the following recommendation:

Your committee recommends for a Science Building a structure not less than 45 x 90 feet (preferably larger), four story in height, including the basement.

The arrangement of the floors was carefully drawn and the cost estimated to be at least \$50,000. The Board deferred final disposition of the report but decided to proceed with a canvass for funds. J. G. Meyer, a loyal member of the Gibble clan, began a solicitation among the Gibble families and went as far west as Ohio and Indiana to secure funds from the Gibble relationship for the building. During the Jesse C. Ziegler Endowment Campaign of 1919-1921 all the pledges and cash secured from the Gibble clan were added to the Gibble Science Building Fund.

Thus the Gibble clan, who held their family reunions on the College campus, approached reality when the Board of Trustees on October 26, 1926, authorized a Gibble committee together with President H. K. Ober and J. Z. Herr to bring tentative plans for a Gibble Science Building.

Bids on the proposed Science Building were opened on May 30, 1927, and Mr. Kast, the architect, was asked to tabulate the bids and report to the Board.

A building committee composed of John M. Gibble, J. H. Gingrich, and A. C. Baugher was authorized to consummate the erection of the Science Building. Luther Wohlsen and Company of Lancaster proceeded with the construction of the Science Building which was dedicated on May 26, 1928, with W. D. Marburger, Pastor of the Denver Reformed Church, and George D. Knight of the Faculty delivering the dedicatory addresses.

### Student Volunteers

The Student Volunteers was an organization on the College campus as early as 1911. To this group belonged those students who signed the following declaration card:

It is my purpose under God's guidance to dedicate my life without reservation to a strictly Christian vocation.

These students met once a week for special devotional services and for the discussion of problems that faced the volunteers. They kept in touch with the churches throughout Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania by giving deputation programs. The year 1925-1926 lists thirty churches visited by representatives of the organization. They fostered greater moral and financial support to the College among the constituency of the institution. A number of these volunteers entered upon work on the foreign mission field and in the Christian ministry. Over the years they also gave financial support as a group to missionaries on the foreign field.

Some of the great Student Volunteer Conventions attended by delegates from the College were:

The Student Volunteer Convention at Princeton, 1922

The United Student Volunteer Convention at Drew Theological Seminary, 1923

The World Student Volunteer Convention at Indianapolis, 1924

The Tenth Quadrennial Student Volunteer Convention at Detroit, 1927-1928

It was in such conventions that students were challenged by the personalities and addresses of spiritual leaders such as Robert E. Speer, John R. Mott, and Sherwood Eddy.

### Candles

The *Etonian* for 1930 contains the following account of the beginnings of the Candles:

During the year 1926-1927 five students who were good friends decided that there should be some means by which the friendships formed at College could be perpetuated. They realized that the Alumni Association and clubs did this to a certain degree, but that there was nothing especially to take care of the small groups which are to be found in any college. Desiring that their group should not become separated upon graduation, they formed a club which they called the Candles. It was an informal affair but the group held several social functions and the idea became firmly imbedded in their minds that those who returned next year should continue it. These first five men were Arthur Eshelman, '27, Arthur Miller, '28, Walter Thome, '29, Mark Kreider, '30 and I. Wayne Keller, '30.

In 1930 the Candles were recognized by the Faculty as an honorary club, and President Schlosser was appointed as their advisor. The motto of the Candles is:

To have a friend be one.

On November 6, 1931, the Club presented a one act play *The Valiant* in the Alumni Auditorium Gymnasium. The chief roles in the play were taken by: Ammon Gibble, Ezra Bucher, William Richwine, and Ray Kurtz. The Candle male quartet also sang several selections at the performance.

A painting symbolizing "Labor Conquers All" was placed on the rear wall of the Chapel by the Club in 1932. Each year the Candles, both present members and past members, with their friends or wives held a banquet to renew old acquaintanceship. In 1933 E. S. Kiracofe, Head of the Department of Education, was appointed adviser of the Club. In 1935 the Candles contributed to the furnishing of the new Social Room in Alpha Hall. In 1939 A.G. Breidenstine became the adviser of the group. The members of the Club are selected from the three upper classes on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and attitude toward the College.

### Music Department

Ephraim G. Meyer was Head of the Music Department from 1921-1922 to 1947-1948, with the exception of the year 1929-1930, when he was pursuing graduate work in music at Columbia University. During the period from 1920 to 1960 his wife Gertrude Royer Meyer taught piano and accompanied the public music performances given by College groups.

The academic record of Ephraim G. Meyer consists of:

Pd.B., 1919, Elizabethtown College

A. B., 1924, Elizabethtown College

Student, 1921, American Conservatory of Music, Chicago

A. M., 1930, Columbia University

His wife pursued a college course at the Peabody Conservatory of Music from 1913 to 1917; she was also a student in advanced harmony and music appreciation at Columbia University in 1929 to 1930.

Both were honored by the Board of Trustees in their election as emeritus members of the Faculty in 1929. At the Ocean Grove Conference of the Church of the Brethren they both received the Distinguished Service Award from the General Brotherhood Board.

### A Cappella Choir

In 1905 B. F. Wampler organized the Elizabethtown College Chorus and presented cantatas such as *David the Shepherd Boy*, *Queen Esther*, *Saul*, and *Joseph*. From 1911 to 1921 Elizabeth Kline and Jennie Via directed the work of this chorus and offered to the



College Chorus

public additional cantatas and programs of choice choruses. E. G. Meyer reorganized the chorus in 1934. The membership of the chorus was limited to thirty students and the new name for the group was the Elizabethtown College A Cappella Choir.

During the period in which E. G. Meyer was Head of the Music Department, the following works were offered to the public:

- 1923—The Prodigal Son
- 1926—Queen Esther
- 1927—The Coming of Ruth

- 1928—Joseph
- 1929—Belshazzar
- 1930—The Coming of the King
- 1931—The Legend of Don Munio
- 1932—The Golden Legend
- 1933—The Prodigal Son
- 1934—Martha
- 1935—The Mikado
- 1936—The Holy City
- 1937—The Creation
- 1938—The Bartered Bride
- 1939—Elijah
- 1940—The Holy City
- 1941—Martha
- 1942—The Prodigal Son
- 1943—Concert of American Music
- 1944—The Village Blacksmith
  - Tannhauser
  - The World of Tomorrow

### *Piano and Organ*

Instruction in piano and organ was first offered in 1904. During the period under consideration in this chapter, Gertrude Royer Meyer gave lessons to piano pupils and continued in this program until 1960. The College installed an electric organ in 1945 and a pipe organ in 1962. What a change from the early days of the institution when all instruments with the exception of the reed organ and piano were taboo!

### *Orchestra*

This period from 1927 to 1941 marks the beginning of an orchestra at Elizabethtown College. Charles D. Nissley organized this group of musicians in 1928 and served as director for several years. The Board of Trustees ruled on October 22, 1929, that the privilege be granted for the organization of "a small orchestra" but that its performances be limited to the College campus. A photograph in the 1933 *Etonian* shows that the orchestra for that year consisted of twelve members.

Puzant Barsumian, a talented violinist, was the next conductor of the orchestra for two years. In the year 1941-1942 William Miller directed this small aspiring company of musicians.

### Alumni Chapters

The District Meeting Minutes of Eastern Pennsylvania for the year 1932 list the Alumni in the following categories:

- 167 High school teachers
- 23 College professors
- 17 Pastors and missionaries
- 22 Business men
- 10 Home builders
- 3 Doctors
- 1 Lawyer
- 3 Graduate students

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246 Total

With the growth of the Alumni Association and the dispersion of hundreds of alumni over a wide area, a desire arose to organize local alumni chapters so as to foster greater fellowship, to keep alive memories of life on College Hill, and to be of greater service to their Alma Mater. L. D. Rose, in an article relative to these chapters, stated:

To blaze the way for the organization of alumni chapters a number of regional reunions were held at the homes of alumni in the early twenties. These reunions were held in the open during the summer without any definite local organization that would sponsor their continuance or assure their performance.

The first group meeting to form an alumni chapter were students in the College and the Academy invited by the Faculty of the College. They met at the Hotel Brunswick in Lancaster on November 12, 1927, and elected Chester H. Royer, President, and Anna Bull, Secretary.

A list of the Alumni chapters and the date of their organization is found in the Appendix of this *History*.

### Alumni Gifts

The early Alumni possessed a devotion toward the College and manifested a sacrificial spirit. In 1924 they purchased a tract of land comprising twenty-nine acres and thus more than doubled the size of the campus. The aim of the Alumni was to provide an adequate athletic field and eventually a gymnasium.

The next gift was the construction of Lake Placida on this tract



*Library in Rider Hall*

of ground. The work was completed in 1925 and resulted in a beautiful body of clear spring water on the northern border of the campus. With a grove of trees in the background and the planting of trees around the lake, the campus was graced with natural beauty.

A second tract of land was bought by the Alumni in 1926 and by the use of a power shovel a large level athletic field was formed. This area of the campus for a number of years provided a track, a baseball diamond, a soccer field, and tennis courts.

The third project undertaken was the erection of a gymnasium-auditorium. The interest of the Alumni in providing this Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium has been delineated in a prior portion of this chapter.

But as the years passed, the Alumni sensed the need of larger facilities for the Department of Physical Education and pressed toward the erection of an Alumni Physical Education Center that would provide for more kinds of sports, more attention to physical therapy, and increased seating facilities for basketball games on the campus of the College, as well as accommodating lectures, concerts, and commencements.

### College Library

*Our College Times* of November 13, 1929, presents many interesting details of the beginning of the library. In 1907 the library contained 587 volumes and by 1929 the shelves contained 6889 volumes.

The library was first located on the second floor of Alpha Hall in 1900 and in 1903 it was moved to the former reception room in Alpha Hall on the first floor and later to the southeast corner of this floor. In 1910 a room originally intended for a day students' room was provided for the library in Rider Hall and in 1928 a reading room was added to the main room.

In 1929 the library was receiving twenty-eight magazines and five newspapers. The following persons served as librarians:

Lydia Buckwalter Heilman, 1904-1905

Charles Bower, 1905-1906

Ruth Stayer Hoover, 1906-1907

L. D. Rose, 1907-1911

B. F. Waltz, 1911-1913

Calvin J. Rose, 1913-1916

H. D. Moyer, 1916-1917

John F. Graham, 1917-1919

Supera Martz, 1919-1920

Floy Crouthamel, 1920-1921

From 1921 to 1939 L. D. Rose served as an efficient librarian. He was meticulous in his collection of college publications, public programs, church periodicals, rare books, and complete files of the annals of learned societies. He was most helpful to students in locating



LEWIS D. ROSE, 1884-1962  
*College Librarian, 1921-1939*

materials for research papers and assigned readings. The number of bound periodicals on the shelves are the results of his painstaking care in preserving complete files of various types of publications. He saw the need of better library facilities and was instrumental in the inauguration of a movement to erect a new library.

*Our College Times*, in reviewing the growth of the library, states:

The spirit of progress, growth, and improvement in the college library is a good index of the progress of the school, and was brought about by the natural growth of the college and in part by the increasing demands of the students; but the greatest credit must be given to the librarians who directed the library in the proper channels, and at the same time were always ahead of the demands, anticipating them and preparing to meet them before they arose. This is especially true of the present librarian, L. D. Rose, and much credit is due him for the many things which he has brought about in the improvement of the library and for the excellent and commendable plans which he is laying for the future.

The Trustees of the College discussed the need of better library facilities in their meeting on April 17, 1935, and appointed a committee to co-operate with the Administrative Committee of the Faculty in the consideration of the feasibility of erecting a library. This committee comprised the following persons: H. K. Ober, R. P.

Royer, and Rufus P. Bucher. They contacted an architect, a Mr. Sternfeldt of Philadelphia, and had him appear before the Board on January 3, 1936, to present ideas on the library project. But a lack of funds prevented further consideration until the administration of the next President A. C. Baugher.

### Y. M. C. A. Room

At the beginning of the Y. M. C. A. as a campus organization the group met in a classroom for their sessions. But in response to a request from the Y. M. C. A., the Administrative Committee of the Faculty voted the use of a corner room in Fairview Apartments for their meetings. At once Herman Enterline, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., issued a call for furnishings such as books, magazines, cushions, or "what have you?" In this corner room the group held sessions for a period of only a year when they were asked to vacate the room which was to be used for dormitory purposes.

Through the efforts of Arthur Miller the Board of Trustees decided to grant the use of a room in Fairview Apartments for the Y. M. C. A. The only place vacant in this building was the attic, which was used by some of the students as a dormitory ward. By order of the Faculty, this attic was locked in 1926. The Y. M. C. A. made a plea to the Faculty for the use of this attic, covered with dust and screened by cobwebs, and in January, 1927, the Administrative Committee granted permission to the Y. M. C. A. to construct a room in this attic for their use and voted \$200 toward the project. *Our College Times* of January 16, 1928, describes the transformation of this attic:

The location of the room is ideal. It allows for an ample amount of sunlight, has a southern and a western exposure and is large enough to accommodate at least four score people. Although it is furnished only with light and heat, more elaborate furnishings will be added from time to time. In addition to the meetings that may be held in this room, it is a room where every student may go for physical relaxation and mental recreation.

By the addition of a Radio 17 with a 100-A Loud Speaker, many students were attracted to this fourth floor room. On February, 1928, the women of the College were invited to visit the home of the Y. M. C. A.

The men did their best to present a home-like atmosphere and brought chairs, settees, pictures, plants, and rugs from their own rooms. Thus they transformed their Y. M. C. A. room into a handsomely furnished living room. The women students headed by Eugenia Geiman, Dean of Women, turned out one hundred percent and spent the evening in conversation, playing various games, and listening to the radio.

### New Social Room

The birth of the idea of a new social room owes its origin in 1934 to the Women's Student Council. For a number of years the inadequacy of the southeastern corner room of Alpha Hall for social gatherings was keenly felt by the Faculty and student body. The situation was presented to the Board of Trustees of the College on January 1, 1935, and they gave the student body the privilege of converting rooms E and F on the east side of Alpha Hall into a future social room. President Schlosser appointed Rebekah S. Sheaffer, Luella M. Bowman and J. Z. Herr as a committee to consummate the project. Half the cost of the remodeling was met by subscriptions from the College classes, the Forensic Arts Club, the Sock and Buskin Club, and private individuals.

The work was completed in March, 1935, and the New Social Room was appropriately dedicated on March 3, 1935, after a banquet in the College Dining Hall. The room contained a large open fire place with a large brick mantle on which was placed a beautiful electric clock by the Candles. The windows were elegantly draped, the floor was of polished oak, the ceilings and walls painted in soft colors, and the furniture of comfortable design.

The *Etownian* of March 27, 1935, expressed itself succinctly:

It is the general opinion on the campus that this room shall add new dignity to our College social life and shall eliminate the use of classrooms as meeting places for congenial chats. Besides, it is hoped that this room shall be so esteemed that all music played and conversation participated in shall be carried on in a manner befitting a college circle.

Commenting on the dedication of the New Social Room, the *Etonian* for 1936-1937 stated:

The room was crowded with students, professors, and friends. In an impressive service in the light from the fire place and the candles, which are always kept burning, the students and President R. W. Schlosser set forth the ideals of the social life on the campus. May we always cherish the product of our perseverance and remember the ideals that were set forth in the dedication of this beautiful room.

### Carnegie Achievement Test

On January 26, 1927, the Administrative Committee of the College decided to have Elizabethtown College participate in the Senior Achievement Test conducted by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Forty-nine colleges in the state of Pennsylvania co-operated in this project. The Senior Class of 1927 took the test; the class was composed of twenty-five men and ten women, of whom twenty-five were candidates for a degree in Education, five in Liberal Arts, three in Economics, and two in Science.

In this test given by the Foundation, Elizabethtown College ranked tenth among the colleges that co-operated with the Foundation. Haverford headed the list of colleges. The test also revealed that of seventeen colleges offering majors in Education, Elizabethtown College occupied fifth place.

J. I. Baugher, Head of the Department of Education, who proctored the tests, summarized the results in a report to the Faculty of the College as follows on May 21, 1928:

1. The results as a whole were satisfactory.
2. There were many more favorable criticisms than unfavorable ones.
3. There are outstanding remedial measures that should be considered for the future:
  - a. We should eliminate the Junior College idea if we wish to have the full respect of seniors and a real college spirit.
  - b. We should reduce our extra-curricular activities by thirty-five percent or increase our student body by fifty percent.
  - c. Our Orientation Course should be revised and not be only a professional course.
  - d. Students who do not fit into our school should be advised to go elsewhere.
  - e. We must give our prospective high school teachers more training in athletics.

- f. We must become a member of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools.
- g. We should keep a denominational viewpoint in the Faculty at all times.

## College Publications

### *College Catalog*

The first Catalog described in Chapter IV of this book was published in Lancaster in 1900. It was a small booklet of only sixteen pages. In 1903 the Catalog was issued in a larger format, which has been practically maintained to the present, with the exception of one issue covering the years 1961-1963.

The Catalogs contain the calendar for the school year, the organization of the Trustees and of the Faculty, the complete register of Faculty members, the history and purpose of the College, the description of the physical equipment, tuition rates, miscellaneous announcements, admission requirements, courses of study, and a register of students.

### *Our College Times and the Etownian*

The second publication issued by Elizabethtown College was a monthly named *Our College Times*. The first issue was mailed to former students and friends of the College in May, 1904 .The Editorial Staff was:

I. N. H. Beahm, *Editor-in-Chief*

D. C. Reber, I. E. Shoop and Elizabeth Myer, *Associate Editors*

H. K. Ober, *Business Manager*

The first issue was a booklet of twelve pages and contained short essays by Elizabeth Myer and D. C. Reber, a picture of Alpha Hall, College News, Reminiscenses and Essays by students.

The paper was published under this name until September, 1934, when it appeared with a new title *The Etownian*, but the format of the paper was changed from a booklet to a regular four page newspaper as early as 1922. With the passing of the years the paper began voicing student opinion on college issues through the student editor and special articles bi-monthly.

*The Etonian and The Conestogan*

The *Etonian*, the Yearbook of the Senior Class, was first published in 1922 and was dedicated to J. G. Meyer. Each issue contains the pictures of the members of the four college classes, extra-curricular groups, administrative officers, Faculty, and campus scenes. The Yearbook for 1951 appeared under the caption *The Conestogan*, which name has been maintained to the present. The changes over the years in college policies are readily seen in the pictures of athletic groups, in new intercollegiate activities, and even in the attire and hirsute countenances of some Faculty members.

For a period of seven years the Senior and Junior classes published the Yearbook jointly to save expenses.

*Rudder*

Feeling the need of assisting freshmen in orienting themselves at Elizabethtown College, the Student Association conceived the publication of a Handbook to guide freshmen in becoming acquainted with the policies and regulations of the College. Consequently in 1926 the Student Association formulated such a guide for freshmen. The first handbook was edited by the joint Welfare Associations of the College and the second one jointly by the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. of the College. In 1945 this handbook was named the *Rudder*. This yearly publication has proved to be a boon to freshmen in the beginning of their sojourn at the College.

**Annual Member Contribution**

Since the ownership and management of Elizabethtown College was in the hands of the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania, The Trustees on August 28, 1928, asked for a contribution of one dollar per member so as to avoid a deficit in the Department of Instruction. This appeal was also made by S. H. Hertzler, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, in his report of the College for 1929 to the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania. In this report he expressed appreciation to the churches that responded to the request of the Trustees to contribute annually to the College at the rate of one dollar per member, and expressed the hope that all the churches would make an effort to reach the goal.

But opposition developed and a query was sent to the District Meeting of 1930 asking for a discontinuance of the method of giving "so much per member to the Lord's work."

A committee comprising J. N. Cassel, Michael Kurtz, and John R. Hershman was appointed by the District Meeting to consider this matter and report to the next District Meeting. The report was:

It is advisable that the church finances be raised on the principle of voluntary, free will offerings.

This report was adopted.

In 1933 another query was sent to the district meetings of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania asking for a yearly contribution of twenty-five cents per member for a period of three years. This query was voted upon favorably by both districts. In 1941 the districts voted to ask congregations to lift an offering on Education Day toward this member contribution to the College.

Because only a small group of churches paid the asking of the district meetings, the College incurred a deficit for 1940-1941. As a result, the Board of Trustees voted to deduct the amount of this deficit from the salaries of the teachers, but in October of that same year the Board reconsidered the matter and voted to pay the teachers the full amount of their salary out of an unexpended balance in the reserve fund of former years. These were crucial days, but in the coming years sufficient support for the College was found so that the annual member contribution was increased a dollar per year for several years, and eventually practically all the churches made an annual contribution to the College.

## In Memoriam

### *Laban W. Leiter, 1892-1928*

Laban W. Leiter, an illustrious alumnus of Elizabethtown College was born near Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, in 1892. He received his B. E. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1909 and the A. B. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1910. He was the Assistant Principal of the Lititz High School and was then called to the Faculty of Elizabethtown College as Professor of Ancient Languages, which position he filled from 1915 to 1917. Because of illness he moved to the farm of his boyhood days for three years, and

was then elected Professor of Biology and Registrar of Elizabethtown College. He served in this capacity from 1920 to 1923. He had a desire to complete his work for the doctorate in science and resigned his position to enter the graduate school of The Johns Hopkins University, where he secured the degree D. Sc. in 1927. He held the position of official bacteriologist for one of the leading dairy firms in Baltimore at the time of his death, which was caused by an attack of la grippe.

He was married to Mamie Keller, a daughter of J. H. Keller, one of the first Trustees of Elizabethtown College from Southern Pennsylvania.

The resolutions of sympathy sent by the Faculty of Elizabethtown College pay tribute to his intellectual and spiritual traits:

His efforts were among the chief factors in building up our Department of Biology. We regret that after years of further preparation his life seemingly has been cut short in the midst of his most promising years.

*Our College Times* of April 16, 1928, also set forth his work as an enthusiastic worker:

He was a typical research man and was entirely at home in the natural sciences as teacher and student, but he did not forget the interests of the church. He was a Sunday School superintendent and a minister of the Gospel in which office he always took an active part, even during his recent school work at the university.

#### *Joseph C. Johnson, 1851-1929*

Joseph C. Johnson of Fairview Village, Pennsylvania, was born in 1851 and died in 1929. He was a descendant of Abraham Cassel, the antiquarian of the Church of the Brethren. As a boy he went to school in a one room school house known as the Hickory Tree School. For a short term he attended Freeland Seminary, now Ursinus College. He educated himself by reading over a wide range. He inherited property from his father and traded somewhat in farm products, fertilizers, and real estate.

His interest was in learning, but not of persons as was evident by his shyness. As a young person he was a Sunday School teacher and wrote considerable poetry but later destroyed all of it.

He became a close student of science, evolution, and psychology.

For his health he dwelt for a time in Florida, Arizona, and California. He cared little for mountain scenery but delighted in verdure, preferring Pennsylvania to any state he ever visited.

Possibly through his admiration for Joseph N. Cassel, a member of the Board of Trustees, he became interested in Elizabethtown College and willed the residue of his estate, which was approximately \$45,000, to the Jesse C. Ziegler Memorial Endowment Fund of the College.

He was buried in the cemetery of the Lower Providence Baptist Church on May 4, 1929.

### *Isaac W. Taylor, 1856-1933*

Four patriarchs of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania are outstanding personalities: S. H. Hertzler, the diplomat; John Herr, the preacher; J. H. Longenecker, the theologian; and I. W. Taylor, the statesman. These men were born in the middle of the nineteenth Century and died within a few years of each other in the nineteen thirties.

Isaac W. Taylor was born near Ephrata in 1856 and was one of the younger members of a family of sixteen children. He reached the fifth grade in the public schools, and then after being certified to teach he served one term in the public schools. He was an expert craftsman in wood and iron and engaged in blacksmithing and carriage building. His life was spent in the Ephrata community, where he was in close touch with the Amish and the Mennonites. Undoubtedly this atmosphere tended to develop a philosophy of religion and life that was very evident in his moderatorship of congregations of the Church of the Brethren over a period of more than thirty years.

Although he lived in a rural community during his entire lifetime and seldom travelled far from home except on trips to Annual Conferences, his influence was felt throughout the entire church constituency. In 1889 he was elected as a deacon, and in 1891 he was elected to the ministry and ordained in 1899. He served as moderator of the following churches: Spring Grove, Conestoga, Ephrata, Lancaster, Akron, Lititz, Lake Ridge, Springville, Reading and West Conestoga.

He served as Moderator of the District Meeting of Eastern Pennsylvania eleven times, as a member of the Standing Committee of

the Annual Conference fifteen times, and as Moderator of the Annual Conference four times. He was the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Brethren Home at Neffsville many years; the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College seven years; the Treasurer and Business Manager of Elizabethtown College several years.

Of his work at the Brethren Home *Our College Times* of April 27, 1933, states:

I. W. Taylor served as Superintendent of the Brethren Home for ten years. . . . The Neffsville Home stands as a monument to his foresight and executive ability as he was the motivating force in the founding of the institution.

*The History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*, begins its account of the life of I. W. Taylor in these words:

Among the commonly accepted qualities essential for effective leadership are an above average intellect, the ability to remain calm under pressure, a keen sense of justice, the spirit of tolerance for the views of others, a good memory and the patience to wait. I. W. Taylor possessed a number of these attributes to a remarkable degree.

His knowledge of the Bible, his skill in parliamentary practice, and his administrative ability were strong evidence not only of his native ability, but also of personal application to gain an education. . . . As a minister Brother Taylor was forceful without being loud, and spiritual without being sanctimonious. He had a keen sense of humor without seeming shallow, and the rare gift of calling attention to the Word of God rather than to himself.

He died on April 3, 1933, and was buried in the Mohler Cemetery near Ephrata.

#### *Samuel H. Hertzler, 1853-1936*

Samuel H. Hertzler, known by most of the members of the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania by the appellation "Uncle Sam," was born near Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, on September 24, 1853. At the age of twenty-eight he became a member of the Spring Creek (Hershey) Congregation, was elected to the ministry in 1897 by the Chiques Congregation and ordained in 1904. He served as assistant moderator of the Elizabethtown Con-

gregation from 1904 to 1912, and as moderator from 1912 to 1928.

After completing his work in the public schools, he attended the Palatinate School (later named Albright College) in Myerstown for a short period of time. For twelve years he taught a rural school near Elizabethtown, and later engaged in general merchandising and overseeing the work on his farm. He was married to Annie Shank and had one son, an only child, who died at the age of twelve. He later married Mary Ziegler, a sister of Jesse C. Ziegler, the first chairman of the Board of Trustees.

In an article by President Schlosser in the Alpha Window of the *Etownian* of March 12, 1936, he wrote:

When the attempt was made to found an institution of higher learning among the churches of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania Elder Hertzler was soon in the foreground of the movement even though many leaders of the Brotherhood were opposed to the organization of a college. As a young minister, not yet ordained, he fearlessly contended for an institution designed primarily to educate the youth of the Church of the Brethren and such others who might choose to enroll. It was he who strongly championed the call for locating the College at Elizabethtown.

When the cause of the College needed to be presented to the district conferences it was he who was generally selected by the Board of Trustees to make the appeals and explanations. First, he would in his pleasant way create an atmosphere of good fellowship and bring out a smile from all present except the most sombre. Then in a spirit of optimism he would lay the facts before his audience and challenge all to do the right.

When the College would permit an innovation that did not meet his approval he was not slow to censure and pull the brakes. With the ability of a seer, and with the patience of a Job, he would manage with the gracious manner of a devoted father to keep the College—the apple of his eye—in favor with the church and at the same time help to win accreditation for her in educational circles.

The character of "Uncle Sam" as a student of public affairs, as a preacher, as a church administrator, and as a friend is succinctly set forth in the *History of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*:

He was a careful reader of the leading editorials of a daily metropolitan newspaper, a critical observer of several farm papers, and a regular

reader of the Gospel Messenger, The Ram's Horn, and other religious papers. He comprehended keenly what he read and had a mind of his own regarding the proceedings of Congress and the State Legislature.

In his preaching he always manifested a careful analysis of his materials and a logical presentation. . . . His voice was not very strong but his articulation was clear. . . . Frequently his sense of humor came to the front. More than once he stated to friends that one of his difficulties in preaching was to keep his sense of humor sufficiently in the background. He believed in solemnity and dignity in the pulpit. When in the midst of deep thinking, his brow would wrinkle, then his hand would pass over the top of his head, a twinkle would appear in his eye, and words of wisdom would be spoken.

In church administration he had few peers. He was conversant with the polity of the church and knew from memory the decisions of the Annual Conference on most questions. . . . He never aimed to foist his opinions on a group, but did aim at giving constructive leadership in difficult crises. He possessed the art of seeing a problem in its entirety and never seemed weary of hearing both sides of an argument.

But those who knew Brother Hertzler best will remember him above all as a sympathetic friend. . . . Everyone felt like going to him with a problem because of the assurance of receiving a genuine hearing. . . . He knew how to warn, how to advise, how to comfort, and how to reprimand.

His presence in the College Chapel services was always a feast to students and Faculty because of his practical message given in a style all his own. His store of illustrations was well nigh inexhaustible; he was adept in selecting an incident to send home the point he desired to make. His talks also manifested a mind that kept alert on topics of interest in a wide field. A grand old man was "Uncle Sam," whose worth we shall realize all the more as we miss his counsel and guidance in the future.

"Uncle Sam" died at the age of eighty-three on March 7, 1936. The memorial addresses in the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren were given by H. K. Ober, R. W. Schlosser and A. C. Baugher. His body was laid to rest in the Mount Tunnel Cemetery in Elizabethtown.



A. C. BAUGHER, 1893-1962  
President of College, 1941-1961  
President Emeritus, 1961

## CHAPTER SEVEN

# Administration of A. C. Baugher | 1941-1961

### Election of A. C. Baugher

On January 1, 1941, the Board of Trustees accepted the resignation of President R. W. Schlosser to take effect July 1, 1941. Again the Board turned to the Faculty of the College to find a successor in the presidency of the College and on February 15, 1941, extended a call to A. C. Baugher, the Dean of the College, who accepted the call on March 15, 1941. His term of office was scheduled to begin on September 1, 1941. He was well qualified for this position with his experience as Professor of Chemistry since 1922 and Dean of the College from 1928 to 1941. His field of investigation for the doctorate at New York University was in Education.

A. C. Baugher based his acceptance of the presidency on certain conditions:

1. A committee consisting of the President of the College, the Treasurer of the College, and one or two members from the Board of Trustees should be responsible for hiring the Faculty.
2. A definite Faculty program should be mapped out extending over possibly two or three years.
3. The Board should approve the employment of a full-time student solicitor to begin work not later than June 1, 1941.
4. Immediate steps should be taken for a program of student solicitation under the direction of the new administration.

This program was accepted by the Board on March 15, 1941.

The Alumni Council forwarded the following resolution to the Board of Trustees on January 1, 1942:

1. That we heartily approve the action of the Board of Trustees in choosing A. C. Baugher to pilot our beloved Alma Mater.
2. That we pledge President Baugher our loyalty, devotion and support.
3. That we pledge President Baugher our confidence in his sincere efforts to put across a high caliber program at Elizabethtown College.

H. J. Frysinger, *Chairman*

L. D. Rose, *Secretary*

In response to a request from the Alumni Association that an appropriate inaugural program be arranged for President Baugher, the Trustees appointed the following committee to arrange for the occasion;

J. W. Kettering, John M. Miller, Arthur W. Eshelman, G. R. Saylor, and Martha A. Bucher.

On April 18, 1942, Chairman Kettering reported that the committee appointed to arrange for inauguration services for President A. C. Baugher had set May 30, 1942, for his formal induction into office. Presidents of adjoining colleges were to be invited to join in the ceremonies.

The chief speaker at the inaugural exercises for President Baugher was Herman H. Horne, Professor of the History and Philosophy of Education at New York University.

The inaugural program follows:

Music	Orchestra
Invocation	R. W. Schlosser <i>Past President of the College</i>
Hymn—God, Our Help in Ages Past	
Induction	Rufus P. Bucher <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Response	President Baugher
Music	Orchestra
Address	Herman H. Horne <i>Professor of Philosophy of Education</i> <i>New York University</i>

## Greetings

Trustees	F. S. Carper
Faculty	Martha Martin
Alumni	Hiram J. Frysinger

## Changes in the Board

At the beginning of the administration of President Baugher, the Board of Trustees had fourteen members: twelve selected by the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania, and two by the Alumni Association. The officers of the Board were:

R. P. Bucher, *Chairman*  
J. E. Trimmer, *Vice Chairman*  
F. S. Carper, *Secretary*  
J. Z. Herr, *Treasurer*

On July 29, 1954, Rufus P. Bucher, in a letter to the Board of Trustees, made the following request:

Dear Brethren of the Board:

Due to my physical condition I am not able to perform my duties as I should as Chairman of the Board.

I would kindly ask to be relieved of that position.

My interest in the College will continue. I am sure you understand.

Humbly submitted,  
Your servant,  
Rufus P. Bucher

The request of the Chairman of the Board was granted, and in recognition of his forty years of faithful service as a member of the Board and as its Chairman for fifteen years the Board voted to designate him as Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College, and appointed a committee to prepare an appropriate testimonial memorializing his service to the College and to the Church.

His death occurred on April 19, 1956, and his burial took place in the cemetery of the church near his home.

The Board of Trustees on October 9, 1954, selected Joseph W. Kettering as the fifth Chairman of the Board.



JOSEPH W. KETTERING  
*Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1954-1968*

On October 8, 1955, revised By-Laws for the College were adopted. Some of the new regulations follow:

1. The number of Trustees shall not be more than twenty-four, at least a majority of whom shall be members of the Church of the Brethren.
2. Twelve Trustees are elected by the Eastern and the Southern District of Pennsylvania jointly, one nomination for each vacancy to be submitted through the regular Annual Report of the Board of Trustees to the Districts. Three of these twelve may be nominated by the Alumni Association.
3. Any Trustee who has been a member of the Board of Trustees for twenty-five years may elect to become an honorary Trustee of the Board. He shall receive all notices of meetings of the Board and have the privileges of the Board except to vote. He shall be entitled to hold this office for life.

## Amendment of the Charter

In order that a larger interest in Elizabethtown College might be fostered, the Trustees of the College voted to petition the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to have the number of trustees on the Board increased from twelve to twenty-four. Following are the Articles of Amendment and the action of the Court:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 703 of the Business Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the 5th day of May, A.D. 1933, and any amendments thereto, the following articles of amendment of the Charter of Elizabethtown College, of the Borough of Elizabethtown, in the County of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania, are herewith executed under the seal of the Corporation and set forth as follows:

1. The name of the Corporation is Elizabethtown College and the location of its registered office is in the Borough of Elizabethtown, County of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania.

2. The said Elizabethtown College was duly incorporated under the provisions of the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed the 29th day of April, A.D. 1874, and the decree of incorporation was duly entered by the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County on the 23rd day of September, A.D. 1899, and the original Articles of Incorporation were duly recorded in the Recorder's Office of Lancaster County on the 6th day of October, A.D. 1899, in Charter Book No. 2, at page 109.

3. The time and place of the meeting of the members of Elizabethtown College, being the Districts of Eastern Pennsylvania and Southern Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren, were held as follows:

The District Conference of the Southern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren was duly held in regular session on Wednesday, the 28th day of October, A.D. 1942, in the Upper Codorus Congregation, York County, Pennsylvania, and at least ten days' notice prior to said meeting was given to the various congregations of said Southern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren in a booklet of business for the conference and a copy of said booklet was furnished to all the delegates from the various congregations, and a resolution approving the hereinafter set forth amendment by said Southern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren was adopted by a vote of sixty-four (64) persons in the affirmative and no negative votes and eight (8) votes not voting.

That the District Conference of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren was duly held in regular session on Thursday, the 30th day of April, A.D. 1942, in the Lebanon Congregation, in the City of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, and at least ten days' notice prior to said meeting was given to the forty-two congregations constituting said Eastern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren in a booklet of business for the conference and a copy of said booklet was furnished to all the delegates from the various congregations, and the resolution adopting the hereinafter set forth amendment was adopted by a vote of ninety-one (91) persons voting in the affirmative and no votes in the negative.

4. That the amendment or alteration of the Charter of said Elizabethtown College proposed and adopted as hereinbefore set forth is as follows:

That the authorized number of Trustees of Elizabethtown College be increased from twelve to twenty-four and that annually the Districts of Southern Pennsylvania and Eastern Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren shall designate the number of Trustees to be elected for each year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, A. C. Baugher, President of Elizabethtown College, has hereunto set his hand and affixed the seal of said Corporation, duly attested by Martha Martin, Secretary, this 11th day of March, A.D. 1943.

(CORP. SEAL)

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE  
By A. C. Baugher, *President*  
Attest: Martha Martin, *Secretary*

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered and decreed, that the Amendment to the Charter of Elizabethtown College is approved by this Court and, upon the recording of said Articles of Amendment in the office for the Recording of Deeds in and for the County of Lancaster, which is now hereby ordered, that said Amendment shall be deemed and shall be taken to be a part of the Charter of Elizabethtown College.

#### BY THE COURT

Attest: Chas. R. Waters

Oliver S. Schaeffer, P.J.

Deputy Prothonotary

Joseph B. Wissler, J.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LANCASTER COUNTY  
In Re: Petition for Amendment

of Charter of

Elizabethtown College

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE SAID COURT:

The petition of Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, for amendment to its charter, having been duly heard and considered by the State Council of Education, this Council finds:

1. That the course of instruction and standards of admission to said institution, and the composition of the Faculty appear to be sufficient,
  2. That the education needs of the particular locality in which the institution is situated and of the Commonwealth at large are likely to be met by the granting of said application upon the conditions stated in the resolution of the said Council below.

WHEREFORE, the said Council at its meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on June 4, 1943, passed a resolution authorizing Elizabethtown College to amend its charter as set forth in the petition presented to your Honorable Court and approved by Preliminary Decree issued under date of April 30, 1943.

WHEREFORE, finally, the State Council of Education approves the said petition of Elizabethtown College and recommends to the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County that a Final Decree be entered granting the petition.

Given under my hand and seal this fifteenth day of June, nineteen hundred forty-three.

(OFFICIAL SEAL) STATE COUNCIL OF EDUCATION  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
FRANCIS B. HAAS, *President*  
ATTEST: CLARENCE E. ACKLEY, *Secretary*

Recorded June 26, 1943.

G. H. Ackerman, Deputy Recorder.

## Faculty

The administration of President Baugher marked a steady growth in the academic status of the Faculty. As the accompanying table shows, the number of professors with earned doctorates rose from seven to twelve, and during the same period from five instructors with master's degrees to thirty-five. The total number on the instructional staff also progressed from twenty-one to fifty-eight.

During this period of twenty years the College had outstanding men and women on the Faculty who had not only advanced degrees but also the ability to teach efficiently. This contact by students with teachers interested in both the intellectual and the moral de-

velopment of an individual produced men and women who today are occupying positions of honor and responsibility.

#### *Faculty Status*

	1941-42	1951-52	1960-61
Earned doctorate	7	7	12
Honorary doctorate	2	1	1
B.D. degree	1	1	3
M.D. degree	1	1	1
A.M. degree	5	13	35
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Total	16	23	52
Total Faculty	21	30	58

The most significant growth in the field of instruction was in Business Education with eight instructors in accounting, business administration, business education, and secretarial science—a total of forty courses. The English department also grew during President Baugher's administration from ten courses to twenty-four with eight instructors.

The appendix to this *History of Elizabethtown College* contains a table of the courses offered from 1941 to 1970.

#### Treasurer K. Ezra Bucher

At the time of the resignation of J. Z. Herr, as Treasurer of Elizabethtown College, in October, 1945, the Board of Trustees had an efficient member on the Equipment and Finance Committees. To him they turned for the next Treasurer of the College. Beginning with the year 1945-46 K. Ezra Bucher was selected as Treasurer and Business Manager as well as a part-time Assistant Professor of Business Education. In 1955 he became an Associate Professor in this field and taught classes until 1957. For the year 1956-57 he had added to his duties as Treasurer the directorship of a Ten Year Development Program to raise \$1,000,000. To relieve Treasurer Bucher of the business managership of the College, Wilbur E. Weaver was appointed as Business Manager beginning with the year 1955-56. Professor Bucher held the office of Treasurer until his resignation in 1957.



K. EZRA BUCHER  
Treasurer of College, 1945-1957

For this office Professor Bucher was eminently qualified in academic and practical work. He received the B. S. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1932 and the M. S. degree from New York University in 1936. He also attended Lebanon Valley College. As a teacher he possessed a magnetic personality and manifested sound business principles in his industrial relationships. In the South Whitehall Township High School he taught commercial subjects four years, and for eight years in the Mechanicsburg High School. During a two-year period he was chief accountant for the D. Wilcox Manufacturing Company of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

He was elected to the Board of Trustees by the Alumni Association in 1942 and served two terms. As a member of the Board he was appointed to several of its committees and was Treasurer of the Board from 1946 to 1957.

In 1946 additional dormitory facilities were needed, and Treasurer Bucher was asked to contact the United States Government authorities regarding surplus government buildings to supply the housing shortage at the College. He succeeded in having two army dormitory buildings transported from Camp Reynolds, Pennsylvania, to the College. Each of these buildings accommodated thirty students. These army barracks, named North and South Hall, were located south of the Baugher Student Center and are in use at this writing as offices and classrooms. Mr. Bucher also secured another

building 40 x 100 feet, together with furniture and other equipment, which was named the Business Education Building and located south of Alpha Hall.

As a member of the Equipment Committee of the Board of Trustees, he enhanced the appearance of the dormitory and administrative offices in Alpha Hall and greatly improved the landscaping on the campus.

He was appointed on a committee to visit college libraries and plan for a library building at Elizabethtown College, and on an Alumni Memorial Committee to investigate the feasibility of erecting an Alumni Memorial Gymnasium.

Dramatics also made a strong appeal to Treasurer Bucher's histrionic ability. The All College Players was an organization of Faculty and advanced students who produced a number of plays: *One Foot in Heaven, House of Rimmon, Barter, The Rock, Joan of Lorraine* and others. Mr. Bucher was not only a Director and Business Manager of this group but a leading member of the cast in several plays. The proceeds of these presentations were used for library equipment.

Even though Mr. Bucher was carrying a heavy program as Treasurer and Business Manager and as Professor of Business Education, he organized a series of community courses for the non-college public. Miss Martha Martin taught such classes two nights a week in Bible subjects with an enrollment in classes of forty to fifty students. A class in Modern Retail Store Operation attracted merchants over a wide area. This type of course led to membership in the Tri-County National Office Management Association (NOMA). Seminars were conducted at the College by prominent business executives and banquets of NOMA were held frequently at the College, at which Mr. Bucher was the popular toastmaster.

When he was relieved of the office of Business Manager of the College, the Board of Trustees appointed him as the Director of the Ten Year Development Program. His office was located in the Brethren Historical Records Room in the Zug Memorial Library. His wise planning led to a successful first phase of the program.

On June 1, 1957, his resignation from the office of Treasurer of the College and Director of Development was to become effective, or until a successor would be appointed. With a good head start the Development Program continued to gain momentum in the next

phase of the campaign so that the goal was raised by \$500,000.

Treasurer Bucher was actively engaged in projects aside from the College. He manifested his interest in public education by accepting an appointment to the Elizabethtown High School District Board in 1950 for a period of two years. He was then elected for a six-year term on the Board and was its President for one year.

The Churches of the Brethren of our area employed him to assist them in organizing fund raising campaigns. He was used in this work by the following congregations: Elizabethtown, Gettysburg, Mechanicsburg, Palmyra, Ridgeway Community, Annville, Myerstown, and Lebanon. He is an ordained minister of the Church of the Brethren.

From 1956 to 1970 he efficiently acted as the Treasurer of the Eastern District of the Church of the Brethren. His clear and concise explanations of the financial status of the District were always much appreciated.

His activity in civic work is manifest in his membership in the Elizabethtown Lion's Club of which he has served as its Secretary.

Since his resignation from the College treasurership, Mr. Bucher is the Vice President in charge of Production at the Continental Press in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

### Oscar F. Stambaugh, Professor of Chemistry

After A. C. Baugher assumed the presidency of the College, a vacancy presented itself in the Department of Chemistry. A call was extended to Oscar F. Stambaugh to be Associate Professor of Chemistry in 1946. After two years of experience he was advanced to be a full Professor of Chemistry and Head of the Department. He also served as Director of the Summer Sessions of the College from 1962 to 1968, and was Acting Dean of Instruction the year 1966-67. He will also be remembered as Faculty Marshal at the College commencements from 1961 to the present time of writing.

Professor Stambaugh holds the following degrees: B. S., Lebanon Valley College, 1930; M. S. degree at Pennsylvania State College in 1933; and Ph.D. also at Pennsylvania State College in 1943. He is a member of the American Chemical Society.

He was an Instructor in Chemistry at Pennsylvania State College and in its undergraduate Centers, 1936-1942; an Instructor in Chem-



OSCAR F. STAMBAUGH

Professor of Chemistry, 1946-  
Acting Dean of Instruction, 1966-1967

istry at Juniata College, 1942-43; and a chemist for Gulf Oil Company, 1943-1946.

Under his direction the Department of Chemistry at Elizabethtown College made remarkable progress. The Faculty grew from two professors to six full-time professors by 1970. More seniors from this Department have gone on to graduate work in a number of universities than from any other department in the College. Over the years, from forty to seventy-five percent of the graduates in Chemistry have taken this step. At present writing four professors in the Department of Chemistry are graduates with B. S. degrees from Elizabethtown College, two of whom have also received the Ph.D. degree in Chemistry.

The College has one of the best equipped small college laboratories in this region. It is highly diversified and of high quality.

Professor Stambaugh through his knowledge of chemistry, his tact as a teacher, and his genial personality has attracted a promising group of students during his quarter of a century as Head of the Department of Chemistry.

#### Dean Henry G. Bucher

The third Dean of Instruction at Elizabethtown College was Henry G. Bucher. He was a man with a congenial spirit and took

a personal interest in the welfare of students. For this position he was eminently fitted by his experience as a teacher in the grades and the high school. He was Principal of the Lebanon Independent Borough Schools from 1936-1941, a demonstration teacher in the Hershey Public Schools, and an Instructor in Education during the summers of 1938 and 1939 at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

He received an A. B. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1928; an M. Ed. degree from Temple University in 1934; and the degree D. Ed. from Temple University in 1937. He was also a graduate student at Duke University and at Columbia University.

In 1941 he was elected to the position of Dean and Professor of Education at Elizabethtown College and held that office until his resignation in 1957.

He was ordained as a minister of the Gospel in the Church of the Brethren and filled many preaching appointments over a wide area. The College also sent him out to many churches to hold weekend Bible Institutes.

In the classroom Dean Bucher won the respect of his students as he shared his experience as a high school teacher and principal. His noble Christian character challenged those in his classes to a noble idealism and a desire to raise the level of service to others.

After his resignation at the College he was elected Superintendent

HENRY G. BUCHER  
Dean of Instruction, 1941-1957



of the Manheim Area Schools and held that office until his resignation in 1970.

In the dedication of the *Etonian* of 1947 is the following tribute to him:

A man among men . . . a friend to all . . . always working and serving his fellow men . . . friendly advisor and counselor.

To Dr. Henry G. Bucher, Dean of Education, the Class of 1947 proudly dedicates its issue of the *Etonian*.

In describing the work of Dean Bucher, the *Coneestogan* of 1956 comments:

From the time we enter college life as eager freshmen until our senior year . . . the Dean of the College follows our academic progress with a personal interest. He co-ordinates the instructional program, organizes and directs summer session courses, and plans off-campus extension courses, and guides students in placement at the end of their college careers.

### **Professor Mildred H. Enterline**

In September, 1956, Mildred H. Enterline and her husband Clarence G. Enterline joined the Faculty of Elizabethtown College. This couple were instrumental in their efforts to maintain a high spiritual atmosphere on the College campus. Mr. Enterline was an Instructor in Education, and Mrs. Enterline an Instructor in Speech. In view of the untimely death of Mrs. Enterline in the midst of a busy career, her accomplishments are here recorded.

She received an A. B. degree from Ursinus College in 1938; an M. A. degree from Northwestern University in 1938; and was a graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania, New York University, the University of Maine, the University of New Hampshire, and Pennsylvania State University.

Her professional experience prior to her coming to Elizabethtown consisted of college teaching at Baker University in Kentucky, at Bridgewater College in Virginia, and at Kutztown State Teachers College in Pennsylvania. She also taught English in the Wilson High School in Easton, Pennsylvania, and in the Reading High School, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Enterline was also interested in dramatics. She directed the

Children's Theater in Easton and wrote plays and pageants for conventions and many anniversaries of churches over a wide area. During the alternate summers from 1950 to 1962 she was Coach of Dramatics at the American Baptist Assembly, Green Lake, Wisconsin. Various magazines and periodicals received her articles devoted especially to religious drama. In 1959 she published an anthology *Best Plays for the Church* which was used by many churches.

Mrs. Enterline was an Instructor in Speech at Elizabethtown College, 1956-1958; an Assistant Professor of Speech, 1958-1959; an Assistant Professor of English, 1959-1961; and an Associate Professor of English, 1961-1964. She also served as Advisor to the Editor of the *Conestogan*. Commenting on the work of Mrs. Enterline, the *Etownian* of September 25, 1964, states:

Under Mrs. Enterline's direction the College Dramatic Workshop and the Sock and Buskin Club presented an impressive variety of plays to the student body, the most recent of which plays was *An Enemy of the People* performed in the round. . . . She was also responsible for the homecoming play, *Joan of Lorraine*. Her death occurred before the play was performed. Jerald L. Garland, Assistant in the Office of Admissions, directed the presentation of the play.

Mrs. Enterline died on September 13, 1964, of a heart attack. Funeral services were held in the United Church of Christ in Elizabethtown on September 16, 1964. The Elizabeth Hughes Society, of which she was an active member, planted a bed of beautiful Emperor tulips in front of the Schlosser Residence for Women, and lovingly cares for it in memory of Mrs. Enterline.

### Resignation of J. Z. Herr

The activities of J. Z. Herr in connection with Elizabethtown College have been set forth in Chapter VII of this book. Professor Herr began his teaching career at the College in 1905 and served twenty-nine years as its Treasurer and Business Manager. On October 20, 1945, he stated to the Board of Trustees that he had prepared his resignation on May 20, 1945, to be effective September 1, 1945, but had been urged to take a week's time for reconsideration. At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees on November 2, 1945, he presented his resignation in the following letter:

October 31, 1945

Dear Brother Baugher:

I called at your office this morning at eleven o'clock to turn in my keys to the office, the office vault, and the bank vault respectively. Also a list of work in process which should be attended to.

I am severing my connections with the College as per my resignation of May 20, 1945, which was effective September 1, 1945, but I gladly served the two extra months of grace to November 1, 1945, until the organization for the present year was completed. My withdrawal at this time is in accordance with our understanding of a few days ago.

Respectfully yours,

J. Z. Herr

The Board of Trustees of the College accepted this resignation on November 2, 1945, and adopted the following resolution of appreciation of his services to the College:

Every institution is characterized by individuals who identify themselves with the institution over a number of years until both the institution and the individuals bear similar ideals and philosophies. This may be just another way of saying that an individual leaves his personality stamped upon the institution.

Elizabethtown College has been fortunate to have had the long term services of J. Z. Herr as teacher, business manager, and treasurer. He has made outstanding contributions to the College in all these fields.

Men and women now holding important positions in business and the professions bear the testimony to his inspiration as a teacher. One of the state's most beautiful college campuses speaks for his foresight and planning.

In recognition of these facts the Board of Trustees wishes to record its deep appreciation for his contributions to Elizabethtown College by placing this resolution upon the Minutes of the Board and by sending a copy to Professor Herr and earnestly prays for his continued interest in Elizabethtown College.

The esteem in which Professor Herr was held by the students at

the College is expressed in the following dedicatory note in the 1931 *Etonian*:

*To Professor J. Z. Herr*

Respected adviser of the Class of 1931, whose cheerful disposition, friendly counsel and advice, and energetic and efficient efforts for the growth of Elizabethtown College have won for him a place of esteem in the hearts of the entire student body, this volume of the *Etonian* is respectfully dedicated.

A motion was also passed by the Board of Trustees that the President of the College prepare a citation covering the services of Professor Herr to Elizabethtown College and that he be recommended to the General Brotherhood Board of the Church of the Brethren for the Certificate of Award for Distinguished Service in the field of higher education in the Church of the Brethren.

On May 26, 1947, the Board of Trustees voted to designate Professor Herr as Treasurer and Business Manager Emeritus on the Minutes of the Board, in the Catalog, and in other occasional publications.

K. Ezra Bucher, Professor of Business Education, was elected to succeed J. Z. Herr as Treasurer and Business Manager.

### Middle States Accreditation

The Minutes of the Board of Trustees record a statement of the efforts made at gaining accreditation by the Middle States Association. It is in the form of an Appendix to the Minutes by President Baugher:

While attending the Annual Meeting of the Middle States Association in November, 1944, held at the Hotel New Yorker in New York, I had a conference with the Secretary of the Association, Dr. Karl Miller of the University of Pennsylvania. After he learned what we had done to improve the financial standing of the College and the extent to which the Faculty had been strengthened, he suggested that we file an application for accreditation.

Following his suggestion, we wrote to the New York office for the official forms for the application. We spent several months in 1945 in preparing a report which consisted of approximately 150 pages of material. On June 15, 1945, we submitted this report to the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. In October, 1945, Dr. Roy

DeFerrari of Catholic University, Washington, D. C., a member of the Commission, visited the College and apparently found so much wanting that the Commission in its November meeting voted to table our application. They pointed out a number of weak spots in our program. We immediately set to work to correct these shortcomings. But in the 1946 meeting of the Association plans were announced for changing the bases of accrediting an institution. As a result of this new plan, our application was tabled or shelved for about one year.

As evidence that the Commission did not reject our application, they appointed President Levering Tyson of Muhlenberg College, also a member of the Commission, as an advisor to us in preparing any further application, if we wished to reapply. He paid us a brief visit in March, 1947, and made several valuable suggestions. We were still hopeful that the Commission would take favorable action in their April, 1947, meeting, but this did not happen. After making several visits to the New York office we finally succeeded in getting a visiting committee for the spring of 1948. The members of this committee were:

Provost M. E. Glatfelter, *Chairman*, Temple University  
Dean John Basher, Wagner College  
Miss Mae Morris, Librarian, Dickinson College  
Jacob B. Hassler, Treasurer, Grove City College  
Ewald B. Nyquist, Columbia University

This Committee visited the College on March 14, 15, and 16, 1948. The time for the committee's visitation was the most auspicious in my thirty-three years' acquaintance with Elizabethtown College. Student morale was high, the esprit de corps of the Faculty and administrative staff was at its best, and the general social and cultural climate was professionally most congenial. The College was at its best without trying to be on parade.

The Committee made a thorough investigation of all aspects of the administrative staff, instructional program, and plant. They were friendly but strictly professional. This Committee submitted their findings—a fifty-five page typewritten report—to the meeting of the Commission on Accreditation at their April 29, 30, and May 1, 1948, meeting.

On Thursday, May 6, 1948, Dr. Frank Bowles, the Chairman of the Commission, informed us by telephone that we were accredited and that a letter was in the mail confirming his statement over the telephone. This letter is suitably framed and displayed in the President's office. A copy of this letter follows:

May 5, 1948

President A. C. Baugher  
Elizabethtown College  
Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania

My dear President Baugher:

I am glad to tell you that at its recent meeting the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education voted to accredit Elizabethtown College.

Dr. Glatfelter's report includes a good deal of material which will be of very real interest to the College, including either directly or through implication a number of suggestions for improvement. I hope that you will give careful attention to these suggestions, and when you have done so, I can assure you that I shall be glad to discuss the report and its findings with you.

I should add that the Commission hopes that the College may be able to proceed with its library construction in the fairly near future.

Sincerely yours,  
Frank H. Bowles, Chairman

This achievement marks the second milestone in the history of Elizabethtown College. The first was on December 19, 1921, when the College was legally empowered to grant degrees, and the second on May 5, 1948, twenty-seven years later, when the College was accorded full academic standing among the leading colleges of the United States through accreditation by the Middle States Association.

In July, 1948, Elizabethtown College was admitted to full membership in the American Council of Education, and on March 18, 1949, the New York State Department of Education also approved the College.

On May 7, 1959, President Baugher was informed by Dr. Ewald B. Nyquist, Chairman of the Commission on Accreditation of Institutions of Higher Education:

We have decided to reaffirm the accreditation of Elizabethtown College as a member of the Middle States Association. . . . Elizabethtown College is a stronger institution than it was in 1948, and hence we were delighted to renew Elizabethtown's accreditation. It indeed has fulfilled its earlier promise of progress. Let me conclude by con-

gratulating you upon this decision which now reaffirms the accreditation of Elizabethtown College and its status with its own peers in the Association.

An affiliation with the Lancaster General Hospital and Saint Joseph's Hospital in Lancaster was effected in 1952, whereby a student who completed two years at Elizabethtown College could take the Nurses' Training Course at either of these two hospitals and in three years earn both the B. S. degree and the R. N.

In 1960 the College was admitted to membership in the American Association of University Women covering all curricula and retroactive to 1922. This was a very significant achievement in terms of alumni morale among our women graduates.

## Growth in Building Operations

### *Homes and Government Buildings*

The College in its development found it necessary to provide additional buildings for the Faculty, the students, and class rooms. On October 17, 1942, the Trustees voted to purchase the home owned by J. I. Baugher, and on March 20, 1946, bought the home of Howard Fryer, also located on College Avenue. Two buildings, named North and South Hall respectively, were allocated to Elizabethtown College by the Federal Housing Authority and were located south of the Student Alumni-Gymnasium. These buildings have served as dormitories for men and recently have been used for Faculty offices and class rooms. In December, 1946, a government building was given to the College by the Federal Works Agency and located to the rear of Alpha Hall. It has been used as offices and class rooms for the Business Department. On May 12, 1947, a four-room addition was made to the cottage in the rear of Alpha Hall and on December 26, 1947, the Trustees voted to convert the C. N. Hose property owned by the College into an apartment building. In 1960 the College purchased the Grubb home on College Avenue with a view to using it as a women's dormitory. But the Trustees of the College in December, 1960, voted to remodel the building for the home of the President of the College, and since January 1, 1961, the building is known as the President's Home.

*Zug Memorial Library*

When Elizabethtown College was accredited by the Middle States Association, the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education stipulated that the College erect a library building in the very near future. The George Williams Company, a fund raising organization, had been employed by the College on December 26, 1944. The campaign remained uncompleted in 1946 but had received a total of over \$74,000 in cash and pledges and written annuities to the amount of \$40,000. Because of the inflated cost of materials and labor, the Board deferred action on the erection of the library building. On April 13, 1948, the Board voted to give the library project first priority on the list of building needs and ordered construction of the library to begin as soon as \$50,000 in cash was raised in addition to the cash and annuity funds already on hand. On February 21, 1949 ,Architect J. Alfred Hamme was employed to supervise the construction of the building to its completion. The contract was given to the Elizabethtown Planing Mill for \$111,519. Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on the site of the new library on April 9, 1949.

The building is of Georgian Colonial architecture to conform with the other campus buildings ,and was erected at a total cost of \$160,000. Three tiers of stacks provide space for 50,000 volumes and are expansible. Dedicatory services were held on October 20, 1950, as the College celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the College. The program follows:

## Academic Procession

Invocation . . . . . I. N. H. Beahm

*First President of Elizabethtown College*

## Hymn

Scripture Reading—Job 28 . . . . . J. G. Francis

Chapel Choir—"O Lord Most Holy"

Presentation of Key to the Library Building

Acceptance . . . . . Rufus P. Bucher

*Chairman, Board of Trustees*

Act of Dedication . . . . . Chairman, Board of Trustees

Dedicatory Prayer . . . . . R. W. Schlosser

*Past President of the College*

## Greetings

Students . . . . .	Wilmer S. Tinkle
Faculty . . . . .	Henry G. Bucher
Alumni . . . . .	Elmer S. Eshelman
Remarks—History of Printing . . . . .	Reuel B. Pritchett
Address—Education Looks Ahead . . . . .	A. J. Brumbaugh

*President, Francis Shimes College  
Mt. Carroll, Illinois*

Chapel Choir—"Praise Ye the Father"

Conferring of Honorary Degree . . . . . President Baugher

Christian L. Martin—Doctor of Letters

John G. Kuhns—Doctor of Science

Alma Mater

In view of the interest of Elder John C. Zug in the education of young people and his donation of \$43,000 toward the erection of the building, the Trustees in accordance with the wishes of the donor voted to name the structure the Zug Memorial Library in memory of Elder S. R. Zug, father of John C. Zug, and one of the outstanding leaders in the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania.



*West Wing Gibble Science Hall  
Dedicated September 24, 1958*

Less than two months after former President I. N. H. Beahm delivered the invocation at the dedication of this library, he was killed in a tragic automobile accident on November 11, 1950, in Virginia.

### *West Wing of Gibble Science Hall*

Because of the crowded condition of the Gibble Science Building in both classrooms and laboratories and in view of the anticipated increased enrollment, the Science Staff and the Administrative Committee recommended that Architect J. Alfred Hamme and one or more professors in the Science Department complete blueprints and plans for a West Wing to the Gibble Science Hall for presentation to the Board of Trustees so that construction could begin as soon as fifty percent of the estimated cost was available in cash. The plan proposed doubled the laboratory space for biology, chemistry, and physics and provided faculty offices, two large class rooms, and a commodious lecture hall, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Brinser of Middletown, Pennsylvania. One of the recitation rooms was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Withers of Lititz, Pennsylvania.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were set for June 3, 1957, The building was completed during the summer of 1958 and dedicated on September 24, 1958, at the first Chapel Assembly of the College year 1957-1958. The dedicatory address was delivered by Dr. E. Fay Campbell, Director of Higher Education in the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

The exercises closed with the conferring of the honorary degree, Doctor of Pedagogy, upon David E. Brinser, the donor of the lecture hall in the West Wing of the building.

### *Elizabeth Myer Hall*

On January 16, 1954, President Baugher recommended to the Board of Trustees the erection of a women's dormitory at an estimated cost of \$350,000, and that a loan be secured from the Federal Housing Agency for a building to accommodate one hundred and fifty women. It became evident from the outset that a loan of \$582,000 would be needed to erect the desired dormitory, and on July 15, 1955, the Federal Housing Agency granted the amount needed. Ground-breaking for the dormitory was set on the date of receiving the loan. Construction of the building began in the summer of 1955 but was halted in October 1955 because of delay in steel deliveries



*Myer Hall  
Dedicated May 11, 1957*

due to a flood in the Poconos. Work on the building was resumed in April and was completed by December. The building was fully occupied in January 1957, at the beginning of the second semester.

The dedication of the dormitory was held on May 11, 1957. The program follows:

Invocation . . . . .	Rev. S. Clyde Weaver
Scripture Lesson . . . . .	Vera R. Hackman <i>Dean of Women</i>
Presentation of Key . . . . .	Paul M. Grubb, Sr. <i>Chairman, Building Committee</i>
Acceptance of Building . . . . .	J. W. Kettering <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Act of Dedication . . . . .	President Baugher
Address—The Church and Christian Education . . . . .	William E. Edel <i>President, Dickinson College</i>
Benediction . . . . .	Rev. J. Herbert Miller

At the time of dedication the building had not been named, but on May 13, 1961, the Board of Trustees voted to name the dormitory with its modern kitchen and commodious dining room, The Elizabeth Myer Residence Hall for Women. The person on whom this honor was conferred was a teacher from the very beginning of the College in 1900 to the time of her death in 1924. Her noble ideals and her magnetic influence in the classroom stamped themselves upon the spirit of the College, and thus she rightly deserved the recognition given her in the naming of this building.

### *Ober Residence for Men*

On September 1, 1957, the Board of Trustees considered the "absolute necessity" for a men's dormitory to accommodate one hundred and fifty men and voted to make application for a loan from the Housing and Home Financial Agency of the Federal Government. This agency informed the College that a loan would be granted for a men's dormitory at the rate of three percent interest. Plans were immediately drawn by architect J. Alfred Hamme and were approved by the Federal Agency for a dormitory to house 232 students. The loan requested was for \$700,000 and was to be amortized over a period of forty years with receipts from room rents and by contributions from the congregations of the Church of the Brethren in



*Ober Hall  
Dedicated October 15, 1960*

Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania. Ground was broken for this dormitory on April 23, 1959.

The building was to be completed during the 1959-1960 College year. The total amount of the loan was reduced to \$675,000 after the estimate of the cost of construction was set at \$680,000. The building was dedicated on October 15, 1960, with appropriate ceremonies in the Church of the Brethren on South Mount Joy Street.

This building was named Ober Hall in honor of past President H. K. Ober. It is an L shaped three-story brick structure of colonial design with two wings 149 and 161 feet long respectively, with a commodious lounge at the junction of the wings. This building made it possible to room on the campus a large number of students housed in private homes in the borough of Elizabethtown in previous years.

#### *Cameron Estate, Donegal Campus*

Adjoining the Donegal Presbyterian Church, the location of the famous Witness Tree still standing, is the historic Simon Cameron Estate of over fifteen acres. On this tract of ground five miles from Elizabethtown is a colonial brick structure containing twenty-five rooms, and the grounds are terraced with lovely flower gardens. The property was owned by Mrs. Mary Hale Chase, a great-granddaughter of Simon Cameron.

After it was learned that the property was for sale, President Baugher recommended to the Board that it be purchased with a view of using the building for housing students, for Faculty apartments, for a conference center, or for an experimental school in special education.

On April 25, 1961, the Board of Trustees voted to purchase the mansion and grounds for \$30,000 and to use it for educational purposes. On June 30, 1961, H. M. Williams of the Board of Directors of the Downingtown Special School stated in a communication with Earl H. Kurtz, Treasurer of Elizabethtown College, that the Cameron property was desired for the purpose of operating a school for retarded children as an expansion of their present facilities in Downingtown. The basic principle originally set forth was to be held inviolate; namely, that the rental income should cover all College out-of-pocket costs including the annual payments to Mrs. Chase. For several years the Cameron Mansion was used for the aforementioned purpose, but later housed a Faculty member and his family and up-

perclassmen. The Mansion will be used in the future to accommodate conferences and seminars of various groups.

The Cameron Estate is steeped in history. The famous Cameron House, the scene of visits by many men and women of renown, was formerly the property of Miss Mary Cameron, the granddaughter of Simon Cameron, the first Secretary of War in the cabinet of Presi-



*Cameron Estate  
Donegal Campus*

dent Lincoln. Her father was United States Senator J. Donald Cameron who was Secretary of War in the cabinet of President Grant.

The grounds are a part of a land grant to James Stephenson by William Penn in 1734. Mr. Stephenson was a great-great-great-great grandfather of President William McKinley and built the original house which he deeded to a grandson, David Watson, in 1780.

A son started to build the present mansion between 1805 and 1808. Through the years, many additions were made to what is now one of the largest houses in Lancaster County.

Secretary of War, Simon Cameron, bought the estate in 1872 from Nathaniel Watson.

Nearly all of the twenty-five rooms in the house contain individual fireplaces, each of which is unique in design. A dedication service was conducted in the Mansion on May 1, 1971.

## Alumni Activities

### *Student Loan Fund*

On November 6, 1933, the Alumni Council decided to assist worthy students in securing an education at Elizabethtown College and set aside a loan fund from the general fund of the Association. This was the year the Board of Directors, by virtue of a revised Constitution and By-Laws of the Association, was designated as the Alumni Council. In thirty years over sixty students were given loans to be repaid after graduation. As the calls for loans became fewer because of available grants and scholarships, the interest of the Student Loan Fund was applied to the payment of the Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium.

The funds of the Elizabethtown College Loyalty Fund were also applied to the payment of the debt on the Student Alumni Gymnasium.

### *Graded Athletic Field*

As the location of the baseball diamond near College Avenue was unsatisfactory, J. Z. Herr recommended to the Alumni Council that a full-sized Athletic Field be graded to the east of the Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium. Consequently on June 1, 1926, the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association voted to employ a steam shovel at fifty dollars a day to grade the Athletic Field. By August 5, 1926, the work was completed at a cost of \$1,291.75. Of this amount the Alumni Association paid \$250 and the College the balance.

The beauty of the campus was greatly enhanced by this grading of the athletic field. To the northeast of the field lay Lake Placida, another project carried through by students and alumni. To the east of the field 2900 trees from the Department of Forestry were secured through the efforts of Treasurer J. Z. Herr, who also procured a shipment of evergreen trees to beautify the campus.

### *Alumni Chairs*

In recognition of meritorious service to the College in various activities the Alumni Association at their Annual Meeting presents the "Alumni Chair" to an individual selected by the Alumni Council. The chairs are of a beautiful armchair design and have a heavy

black lacquer finish. The first chair was presented in 1953 at the forty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Association. The list follows in the order of presentation:

J. W. Kettering, '23	A. C. Baugher, '22
L. D. Rose, '11	Mrs. A. C. Baugher, '35
Rufus P. Bucher, '02	Martha Martin, '24
R. W. Schlosser, '11	E. G. Meyer, '24
Mrs. R. W. Schlosser	Mrs. E. G. Meyer
John M. Miller, '05	Clarence G. Enterline, '31
Alma K. Espenshade, '37	Vera R. Hackman, '25
Ira R. Herr, '16	Anna M. Carper, '41

### *New Gymnasium Planned*

On May 18, 1946, the Alumni Council decided upon a Veterans' Memorial on the campus of Elizabethtown College. Sentiment existed among the Alumni that improvements on the Student Alumni Gymnasium Auditorium, dedicated on May 25, 1929, would be an appropriate mark of honor to the student veterans of World War II. Coach Herr recommended that the President of the College, a representative of the Memorial Committee, and a representative of the Board of Trustees be brought together to discuss an appropriate change in the proposed Alumni Gymnasium. Architect Joseph Steele was employed to draw tentative plans for a remodelled gymnasium, but the changes were unsatisfactory to the committee.

The next step was the consideration of the erection of an Elizabethtown College Alumni Field House. A new committee, the Elizabethtown College Alumni Memorial Committee, was appointed and comprised the following alumni: Henry H. Hackman, '31; Paul M. Grubb, Sr., '24; Eby C. Espenshade, '35; M. Ray Cobaugh, '35; and Mark C. Ebersole, '43. This committee, however, proceeded to investigate further the remodelling of the Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium in consultation with Architect James Steele.

Eby C. Espenshade, who was Dean of Men for three years, Director of Admissions for six years and Alumni Secretary for two years, was a most active member of this committee. His interest in the erection of a Field House continued to the time of his tragic death in a plane crash over the Atlantic on his return from the

celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Church of the Brethren in Swarzenau, Germany.

After a number of meetings a plan was presented to the Board of Trustees on March 12, 1948, that called for the addition of a wing to the old gymnasium at an approximate cost of \$126,000. The Board of Trustees approved the plan, gave the Alumni the green light to proceed when seventy-five percent of the cost of remodelling was raised in cash and pledges, and encouraged the Alumni to start a fund raising campaign, in conjunction with the financial campaign of the College, for the erection of a library building.

At the forty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association on May 28, 1949, the Treasurer of the Association reported that to date \$13,674 had been raised in cash and pledges in the drive. A year later the total raised was \$15,255. As the amount was insufficient to begin remodelling the old gymnasium, the Alumni Association loaned the funds that had accrued from the campaign to the College at two percent interest.

The Alumni Association in their forty-eighth Annual Meeting concluded that the plans of Architect James Steele for the old gymnasium seemed inadequate for the growth of the College. The Trustees were in accord with these views of the Alumni and decided:

1. The present remodelling plan for the old gymnasium is unsatisfactory.
2. A Field House is needed.
3. The Alumni Auditorium needs to be remodelled to provide more adequate auditorium space.
4. The following financial program be adopted:
  - a. Use the \$25,000 cash of the Alumni toward a Field House.
  - b. Put on a solicitation program for \$125,000.
  - c. Permit Alumni to loan \$50,000.
5. A committee of Trustees and Alumni be a Field House Committee.
6. A Financial Campaign be started.
7. The Building have the name Alumni on it.

On October 31, 1953, the Trustees of the College approved the publication of a brochure by the Alumni describing the prospective Field House. The following spring of 1954, at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, they learned that Marts and Lundy were being interviewed by the Trustees regarding a financial campaign to raise funds for three buildings: a women's dormitory, an addition

to the Gibble Science Hall, a Field House, and the conversion of the Student Gymnasium into an auditorium.

On October 22, 1955, the total of the funds raised by Marts and Lundy to date was \$330,400. By May 26, 1956, the following resources were available:

Total of Marts and Lundy Campaign	\$390,000
Total Memorial Fund	28,082
Total Loans to the College	14,300
On June 1, 1957, the Alumni held	
A College loan	16,500
The Alumni-Memorial Fund	32,008
The Student Loan Fund	1,209
The General Fund	1,878

At the fifty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association on May 30, 1959, the organization voted that approximately \$37,000 originally earmarked for the gymnasium be loaned to the College for current capital expenditures until the plans for the Field House became a reality. It was also moved that the new gymnasium carry the name "Alumni" on it.

The Trustees of the College in the meantime reported that an architect had drawn plans for two buildings to be erected: a men's dormitory to house 232 students and a Student Union Building to be built around the old gymnasium.

On May 28, 1960, the College gave a note to the Memorial Fund of the Alumni Association to the amount of \$33,681. This sum was to be used toward the payment of the new Field House. The Alumni were concerned that the word Alumni appear in the name of the Field House and in that of the remodelled auditorium-gymnasium.

This Field House was dedicated on January 7, 1970, and called the Alumni Physical Education Center. Thus after many years of planning and struggle, a dream of many Alumni became a reality on the campus of Elizabethtown College. This Alumni Physical Education Center also contains the Dr. Troy M. and Elsie S. Thompson Memorial Gymnasium.

### Chapel Services

During the first forty years of Elizabethtown College, Chapel exercises were conducted five days a week largely by members of

the Faculty and attendance was required of the students. When all the activity of the College was confined to Alpha Hall, the only building on the campus for the first six years, Chapel services were held in that part of Alpha Hall, which is now the Alpha Lounge. The meetings were conducted by students with the professors speaking at most of the exercises. Occasionally missionaries and leaders in the Church of the Brethren were called in.

Rider Hall, built in 1906, contained a Chapel on the second floor that accommodated at least two hundred students. Seats were assigned to the students who were expected to attend Chapel services of half an hour in length three days a week. As the enrollment grew, the services had to be staggered so that the seniors and the juniors could attend once a week, the sophomores two days a week, and the freshmen three days a week.

When the Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium was completed in 1929, the Chapel services were moved into that building. Facilities were available there to accommodate the entire student body in one group and Chapel attendance was required of all students at this weekly service. At the completion of the Church of the Brethren on a tract of ground adjoining the campus, arrangements were made to conduct the College chapel services in the Church. As the student body grew in size, it had to be divided into sections for weekly chapel services to accommodate all students. But in spite of the excellent religious atmosphere of a church for the Chapel services, the pressure came from the students for convocation services of a type different from the Chapel service that emphasized worship through music, prayer, and meditation.

Regarding the Chapel services Robert A. Byerly, Head of the Department of Religion, stated in 1960:

A Chapel service is every bit a part of a liberal arts education, for it affords an opportunity to learn of contemporary religious thought.

### **Our College Times to The Etownian**

James Ellis wrote: "Newspapers are the world's mirrors." This observation has been very evident during the past sixty-six years of the publication of the official newspaper of Elizabethtown College. In May, 1904, appeared the first issue of *Our College Times*, a booklet of twelve pages that contained short articles by Elizabeth

Myer and D. C. Reber, student reminiscences, and an editorial by President I. N. H. Beahm, the editor-in-chief. The early editions of the paper reflected the adolescence of the College, and the religious note could be seen in the preponderance of moralistic articles.

By 1921 the students filled the editorial posts on the staff of the paper. Anna W. Wolgemuth was the first student editor, until she became a member of the Faculty. She was followed by Martha Martin as editor-in-chief in January, 1923. This was the beginning of a continuous line of student editorships.

On November 5, 1922, *Our College Times* appeared in a four page newspaper similar to the present *Etownian*. The last number of *Our College Times* in the four-page format was published on June 5, 1934, and on September 28, 1934, the College newspaper was christened *The Etownian*. At the time of this change of name photographs were in common use in the paper and editorials were generally confined to page two.

By 1945 a true editorial page emerged. Group pictures pushed individual photographs from the front page, and a strict journalistic style began to dominate the news columns. Those changes in *The Etownian* were the result of a new course in Journalism requested by the students. The Student Senate made a course in Journalism a prerequisite to reporting. During the school year of 1950-51, the *Etownian* received a first-class rating from the Associated Collegiate Press and in 1956 the *Conestogan* won an all-American rating in the Associated Collegiate Press competition.

A vast difference is seen between the present editions of *The Etownian* and the first volumes of *Our College Times*, but the fundamental purpose of the publication is the same—the mirroring of the thinking and the activities of the college community so that alumni, patrons, and friends of the College may be conversant with the program and purpose of Elizabethtown College.

### Fiftieth Anniversary of Charter Day

The Board of Trustees authorized the Administrative Committee of the Faculty on April 19, 1947, to prepare tentative plans for the observance of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Charter Day. Elizabethtown College was chartered on September 23, 1899, and class work was begun on November 13, 1900, generally called Founder's Day.

The consensus of opinion of the Trustees was that the first year of Elizabethtown College should be the year 1899-1900 because so much effort had been expended by the Founders prior to the class work begun on November 13, 1900. Hence Charter Day, September 23, 1949, was considered of greater significance than the beginning of the instructional program.

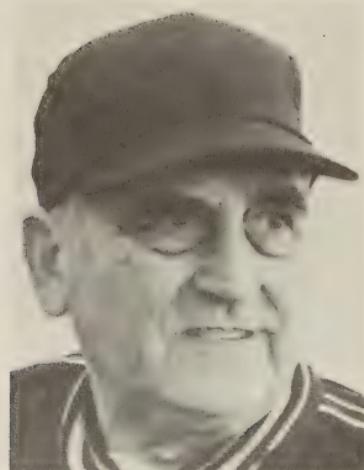
The following program was given on September 23, 1949, at 10:30 a.m. in the Student Alumni Gymnasium:

Invocation . . . . .	Rufus P. Bucher <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Hymn	
Scripture Reading and Prayer . . . . .	Rev. Nevin H. Zuck <i>Pastor, Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren</i>
Male Quartet	
Address—The Church and Education . . . . .	Paul H. Bowman <i>President, Bridgewater College</i>
Flute Solo . . . . .	Edgar Bitting '50
Address . . . . .	Honorable James A. Duff, <i>Governor Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
Violin Solo . . . . .	Nancy Baseshore '53
Conferring of Honorary Degrees . . . . .	James A. Duff, L.L.D. William C. Freeman, LL.D.
Benediction . . . . .	J. Linwood Isenberg

### Our Perennial Coach Herr

It was President Roy E. McAuley, who characterized Coach Ira R. Herr in his statement at the dedication of the Baseball Field in honor of the Coach, in these words:

Ira R. Herr, more than any other person in the history of Elizabethtown College, personifies the intercollegiate athletic program on this campus. It was Ira R. Herr who initiated the intercollegiate program for the College in 1928 and who nurtured the program through its formative years, serving as Director of Athletics until his retirement in 1961. It was Ira R. Herr who was literally a one-man force for athletics on this campus, administering the physical education program and coaching virtually all the sports during his tenure. For thirty years he was Coach for the baseball team and for nineteen years the coach of the men's basketball team. In addition he coached soccer, women's basketball, tennis and cross country.



IRA R. HERR

Director of Athletics, 1928-1961

Surely a man who has given long and devoted service to Elizabethtown College deserves special mention in this *History of Elizabethtown College*. In Lancaster County he was known as the "Dean of Coaches" after serving more than a quarter of a century at Elizabethtown College as Coach of baseball and basketball in particular. During this period of service he organized the Inter-County Tennis League, of which he was president for many years. He celebrated his silver anniversary without fanfare—a characteristic of Coach Herr.

In 1956 Coach Herr was presented with a plaque of honor by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches of the National Intercollegiate Athletic Association with the following inscription:

Presented to  
Ira R. Herr  
for a  
Quarter of a Century  
of  
Leadership and Devotion  
to  
Collegiate Baseball

The Lancaster Sportswriters and Broadcasters at their annual banquet at the Hotel Brunswick in January, 1959, named him "Sportsheadliner of the Year" in recognition of his contribution to local sports during his lifetime. In the presentation of the honor he was praised for

his outstanding sportsmanship, his Christian bearing, and the lasting influence he has exerted upon coaches and players who are all the better for their contact with him.

In accepting the award, Coach Herr, in his characteristic humility, responded:

Little did I expect this. Words fail to express my feelings. I shall certainly endeavor to be worthy of this honor and to use my talents to further sports as long as I can.

The Board of Trustees voted to name the beautiful and spacious new athletic field in his honor. On May 7, 1966, a large boulder containing a bronze tablet was placed on the edge of the field as a tribute to his loyal service to Elizabethtown College. The tablet stated:

*This Field is Named for  
Ira R. Herr  
First Director of Athletics  
at  
Elizabethtown College*

On the above named date appropriate dedicatory exercises were held on the athletic field.

Each year the Christian Education Commission of the Church of the Brethren grants Distinguished Service Awards to members of the staff and faculties of the college of the Church of the Brethren. On June 18, 1959, the General Brotherhood Board, through the Christian Education Commission, granted the Distinguished Service Award at the General Conference held at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, to Ira R. Herr, in view of over twenty-five years of meritorious service in the field of physical education.

He was also presented with the Elizabethtown Alumni Chair at an annual meeting of the Alumni Association.

Since his retirement from Elizabethtown College in 1961, he has been teaching social studies at the Patton Masonic School for Boys and at the same time serving as Coach of baseball and basketball in that institution to the time of the writing of this *History of Elizabethtown College*.

Fair play and good sportsmanship have won respect for him not only on the part of the students and alumni of Elizabethtown College but also of other neighboring colleges.

### Ten Year Development Program

President Baugher urged the Board of Trustees to enter upon a financial program to provide funds for the erection of buildings on the campus to meet the needs of a growing student enrollment, and January 16, 1954, the fund-raising agency of Marts and Lundy was employed to make a preliminary survey on the advisability of a campaign for funds. On the advice of this firm the Board decided to have them plan the procedure of a ten-year development program to begin on July 1, 1954, and to end on April 30, 1965.

K. Ezra Bucher, Treasurer and Business Manager of the College, was employed to be the Director of the Campaign. To make this possible, Wilbur E. Weaver was selected to serve as Business Manager of the College, and the duties of the Treasurer to be reduced to a minimum. Robert S. Young, the Assistant to the President of the College, was also asked to assist K. Ezra Bucher in the campaign. The goal set for the ten-year program was \$1,000,000.

To launch this undertaking, Marts and Lundy arranged a three day Convocation for October 22, 23, and 24, 1954. The program called for the erection of a women's dormitory, the completion of the West Wing of the Gibble Science Hall, the construction of a Physical Education Building, and the conversion of the Student Alumni Gymnasium into a Chapel-Auditorium. By December, 1954, the Trustees had subscribed over \$60,000, and by the end of the first year of solicitation, the amount raised was over \$300,000. When Marts and Lundy withdrew from the Development Program on April 30, 1955, K. Ezra Bucher and Robert S. Young pushed forward the work of the first three years. At the end of this first stage on June

30, 1957, the amount solicited amounted to \$438,197 and by the end of the next year the amount had reached over \$520,000.

Upon the resignation of K. Ezra Bucher as Director of the Development Program, the Board of Trustees on May 1, 1958, employed J. Albert Seldomridge of the Class of 1952 to assume the directorship of the Development Program. Marts and Lundy were again employed to assist in the planning of the second three-year phase of the program. On August 31, 1958, Mr. Seldomridge reported that to date the total amount raised in the Development Program was over \$666,000. On this same date the Board of Trustees appointed the following committee of six persons to serve as advisors in the Development Program:

Horace E. Raffensperger, *Chairman*

John G. Hershey

Ethel M. B. Wenger

Cyrus G. Bucher

S. S. Wenger

I. Wayne Keller

J. W. Kettering, *Ex-officio, Chairman of the Board of Trustees*

A. C. Baugher, *Ex-officio of the College*

Since over \$650,000 had been solicited at the half-way mark of the Development Campaign, the Board of Trustees voted to raise the goal of the project from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. At the time of the resignation of J. Albert Seldomridge on May 28, 1960, the total amount raised was reported to be over \$750,000.

James L. M. Yeingst, Director of Public Relations, was appointed on April 25, 1961, as Director of the Development Program and Coordinator of Public Relations, and to him was entrusted the continuation of the Development Program.

### Honorary Degrees

After the accreditation of Elizabethtown College on May 5, 1948, the Trustees gave consideration to the granting of honorary degrees. Believing that the influence and prestige of the College would be enhanced by the granting of such degrees, the Board voted to confer degrees upon persons recommended by the Administrative Committee of the Faculty. The list is found in the *Appendix*.

## Harrisburg Area College Center

President Baugher, in an article on the "Organization and Program of the Harrisburg Area College Center," set forth the beginning of this movement:

In 1951 Lebanon Valley College and Elizabethtown College became convinced that they could bring to the Harrisburg area improved higher education to more students if the two institutions would pool their strength and so co-ordinate their efforts. In pursuit of this conviction the two colleges agreed to form a simple administrative set-up to achieve this goal. This was designated as the Harrisburg Area College Center.

According to the plan credits earned at the Center could be applied toward a degree at either college. Classes were held during the late afternoon and evening. The two presidents, the deans, and the treasurers of the two colleges carried on the administration of the Center. A dean is now the chief administrative officer of the Center and directs its program in keeping with the basic policies determined by the Board of Directors.

The first classes were held on September 17, 1951, in the old Central High School building in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, with sixty students in twelve classes. Elizabethtown College and Lebanon Valley College each had six classes.

*Registration for 1951-1958*

	<i>Undergraduate</i>	<i>Graduate</i>	<i>Total</i>
1951-52	171		171
1952-53	159		159
1953-54	206		206
1954-55	224	133	357
1955-56	346	134	480
1956-57	474	135	609
1957-58	616*	181	797

\* Included 66 special students

In 1954 Temple University expressed a desire to join the colleges operating the Center and was accepted by the Board of Directors. In 1957 Pennsylvania State University also joined in the program of

the College Center and at a later date the University of Pennsylvania.

For the first three years of the institution the Faculty was drawn almost entirely from the staffs of the first two co-operating colleges. With the aid of two universities the Center was able to offer a greater variety of courses by including graduate work in a number of fields. In 1957-58 the Center registered nearly two hundred students in graduate courses, most of whom were teachers in the public schools of the area and actively pursuing work toward an advanced degree. Thus a substantial portion of the requirements for a graduate degree could be completed before entering upon residence work at the university itself.

The purpose of the Center is stated in the charter of the institution:

To supply a means of bringing to the Harrisburg Area College educational programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels designed to meet the academic, vocational and cultural needs of persons residing in central Pennsylvania.

The Center was incorporated in 1958 under the name the Harrisburg Area College for Higher Education (HACHE). The first officers were:

A. C. Baugher, *Chairman of the Board*

President of Elizabethtown College

John L. Tivney, *President of the Corporation*

Member of Higher Education Committee of State Chamber of Commerce

Robert A. Byerly, *Director of the College*

Member, Faculty of Elizabethtown College

With the advent of a community college and a senior-graduate campus in the Harrisburg area, the name of the College Center was changed in 1966 to the University Center at Harrisburg. In the first ten years of the history of the Center more than fourteen thousand students participated in its program.

Organizationally the corporation responsible for the operation of the Center includes thirty community representatives and fifteen from the co-operating colleges and universities. Thus the Center flourishes as the institutions work together in concert with a board



ROBERT A. BYERLY  
Director of the University Center

of civic and business leaders to meet an urgent need for studies on the college level in the Harrisburg area.

A normal semester at the University Center now has an enrollment of from 1250 to 1500 students who commute to the Harrisburg campus from a radius in excess of twenty-five miles. At present the Center occupies the former Naval Reserve Center (originally the Harrisburg Academy) with facilities for instruction, a library, and administrative offices on a six-acre campus.

In a news item in the *Etownian* of January 10, 1959, President Baugher, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Center, stated:

It is my firm conviction that through this co-operative effort the unique individual strength of the collaborating institutions can be made available to the citizens of the Harrisburg area. The wide range of courses of instruction, which these institutions can bring to the classrooms of the Center, could not be matched by any single institution in the entire Commonwealth.

This program of the University Center at Harrisburg offering instruction in three major fields—undergraduate, graduate, and adult education—is an innovative educational project that has gained national recognition. It is a non-profit organization that fills a need in the education of many desiring to further their education, students otherwise unable to improve their fitness for the performance of the duties of life.

## Financial Support by Churches

From appeals made in the churches and at the District Meetings of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania, contributions were sent to the College, but from the President's report to the Board of Trustees for the year 1941-42 the total from the two districts amounted to only \$3554, an average giving of less than fifty cents per member.

At the District Meeting of Eastern Pennsylvania in 1945, a goal of one dollar per member was set for this District, and ten years later the goal was raised to two dollars per member. Southern Pennsylvania followed with a goal of one dollar and seventy-five cents per member. At the time of this writing the goal set for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania is seven dollars per member.

### *Giving by Districts*

	<i>Eastern Pa.</i>	<i>Southern Pa.</i>	<i>Total</i>
1941-42			3,554
1946-47	5,150	2,426	7,576
1951-52	10,864	5,817	16,681
1956-57	22,460	8,209	30,669
1959-60	35,846	10,002	45,848

This increase in giving continued steadily during the next period of ten years.

The General Conference of the Church of the Brethren, in 1942, voted to give the colleges of the Church of the Brethren an annual grant. The first three years the grant was \$5000 annually but thereafter ranged from \$3750 to \$7500.

Because of a limited endowment and no state subsidy, the College was mainly dependent upon tuition fees, contributions from business firms, and the Church.

On September 29, 1951, the Board of Trustees adopted the following recommendation of President Baugher:

If the church is to continue the avowed exponent of Christianity in education, then the Church must increase her support and since the Church of the Brethren of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania own Elizabethtown College, it is of primary importance that these two districts give larger support to the College as their program of the church in private education. The goal of \$12,000 for Eastern Pennsyl-

vania and \$6,000 for Southern Pennsylvania should be the minimum. The Board should make a special effort to have the districts achieve this goal.

Over a period of twenty-five years or more, Bible Institutes were held among the churches of the two districts by members of the Faculty. The following table gives a picture of the extent of this program:

*Institutes Held*

1940-41	35	1945-46	47
1941-42	40	1946-47	45
1942-43	15	1947-48	52
1943-44	39	1951-52	56
1944-45	49	1952-53	52

These services, conducted over weekends throughout the two districts, helped to build a wholesome relationship between the College and the constituency and was a factor in assisting churches to approach the financial goals set by their respective district meetings.

The Men's Work Organization of the District of Eastern Pennsylvania conceived the idea of endowing a Chair of Bible at the College, and on April 17, 1951, gave an initial donation of \$5000 to launch the project.

Thus from various sources church support is being given to a larger degree year by year in consummating the program envisioned by the Founders.

### **Faculty Retirement System**

On November 8, 1946, a committee composed of John M. Miller, Joseph W. Kettering, and President Baugher was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees to investigate the retirement plans of the Teacher's Insurance and Annuity Association.

The Committee brought a favorable report and it was adopted on January 1, 1947, by the Board of Trustees.

Under this plan (a) all teachers after two years of service are eligible to join. The College pays five percent of the teachers' salary into the fund and five percent of the teachers' salary is withheld

and paid into T.I.A.A. (b) All teachers shall retire at the end of the year in which they attain age sixty-five. Special action of the Board of Trustees is required for one to continue beyond age sixty-five.

On October 11, 1947, the Trustees voted to contribute a maximum of \$1500 annually toward group health and accident insurance for the professional and non-professional employees of the College.

### Social Security for Ministers

Since January 1, 1951, the employees of Elizabethtown College, by a vote of fifty-three to eight, decided on Social Security coverage. But the right of ministers on the Faculty and staff of the College to coverage was in question. The Bureau of Internal Revenue handed down a ruling that coverage depended on

whether the College was operated as an integral agency of a religious organization under the authority of a religious body constituting a church or church denomination.

After a lengthy negotiation, the Bureau of Internal Revenue handed down a ruling on October 12, 1952, indicating that the ministers on the Faculty of Elizabethtown College were included in Social Security Coverage.

A letter from the Bureau on March 20, 1957, gave the final ruling:

We find no justification for modification or revocation of our ruling of October 12, 1952. Accordingly such ruling is adhered to. . . . The ministers involved are not excepted from employment and the wages of such ministers should, where appropriate, be included in the Employer's Federal Quarterly Tax Returns.

J. F. Worley  
Chief, Employment Tax Branch

### Retirement of President Baugher

President Baugher on April 25, 1960, in a statement to the Board of Trustees summarized the achievements and progress of Elizabethtown College during the twenty years of his administration. The

paper also included his proposed retirement as President of Elizabethtown College. At a meeting of the Alumni Association on Commencement Day, May 30, 1960, he made a public announcement of his plans to retire on June 30, 1961.

The letter containing a resumé of his activities and his desire to retire from the presidency of the College follows:

May 28, 1960

Board of Trustees  
Elizabethtown College  
Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Dear Colleagues:

After having been affiliated with Elizabethtown College for more than forty-five years as student, teacher, dean, trustee, and as President, I wish to officially inform the Board that I plan to retire from the office of President at the end of the next academic year on June 30, 1961. It is my studied opinion that in terms of the great financial resources of both the church and community, the high and rapidly growing population in the area, and the generally advantageous geographic location of Elizabethtown College, the possibility of future growth looks bright. It is my firm conviction that these favorable factors coupled with a creative imagination and a dynamic program, will make it possible for Elizabethtown College to continue to grow into almost any size institution which those who guide its future may think desirable.

The future calls for a creative imagination, alert professional leadership and guidance for the maintenance and expansion of the distinctive type of education for which Elizabethtown College has become known.

It is my earnest hope born out of many years of study and prayer and service to Elizabethtown College that the Board in the pursuit of their responsibility to find a President, will carefully study the needs and the unusual opportunities for Elizabethtown College during the immediate years ahead, and that they will look with prophetic fearlessness into the challenging coming decades.

It is my fervent prayer that the Board may find the individual whose qualifications and thorough training and experience and dedication will match the opportunities for a greater Elizabethtown College in the field of Christian higher education.

A. C. Baugher

The Executive Committee of the Board directed S. S. Wenger and Noah S. Sellers to prepare an appropriate resolution in response to the announcement of President Baugher's anticipated retirement. The resolution prepared was read and approved by the Board on May 28, 1960.

The Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board on September 22, 1960, state:

A paper prepared by President A. C. Baugher setting forth his views on his employment after retirement as President was presented. After discussion the following actions were approved with respect to his status after July 1, 1961:

1. That he be designated President Emeritus and that he be considered a special representative of the College in the area of development and fund raising.
2. That he serve under the President of the College and the Director of Development.
3. That his services be less than full time and that his salary be predicated on a part-time program.
4. That his employment be on a year by year basis.
5. That he be authorized to prepare a manuscript on the history of the College, without commitment as to its publication, and that these materials be considered primarily as source materials for a later fuller history of the College.

Item 2 was revised in a later action by the Board of Trustees:

2. That the President Emeritus devote the major portion of his time to fund raising under the direction of the President of the College and co-ordinate his efforts with the Development Program of the College.

The Executive Committee on May 30, 1960, passed upon the following list of qualifications of the new president:

1. A man of unquestionable character.
2. A churchman with a vigorous philosophy of life.
3. A family man.
4. A man of reasonably mature years and in good health.
5. A man of academic training and scholarly interests.
6. A man with some understanding of Christian Education.
7. A man with educational background and experience.
8. A man with administrative experience.
9. A man with a creative imagination.

10. A man who knows men and can judge qualifications of applicants.
11. A man with a democratic spirit.
12. A man preferably not local, who knows the history of the institution.
13. A man of pleasing platform experience.
14. A man who understands the meaning of public relations.
15. A man who appreciates the value and the necessity of money.

Because of the expansion of the facilities of the College and the strengthening of the academic program of the College during the term of President A. C. Baugher, the Board of Trustees appointed the following committee to

plan for proper ceremonies in connection with the retirement of President Baugher:

H. E. Raffensperger, *Trustee*

C. S. Apgar, *Faculty*

Clifford B. Huffman, *Alumni*

The Board also voted on October 15, 1960, to arrange for a proper honorarium for the retiring President and to co-operate with the ceremony planning committee.

As a further tribute to the efforts of President Baugher over a period of twenty years in the presidency of the College and in the role of a professor, the Board adopted the following report of its committee comprising S. S. Wenger and Noah S. Sellers:

By the year ending June 30, 1961, President A. C. Baugher will then have given the College more than forty-five years of continuous service, the last twenty of which he will have served as President of the College.

The Board appreciates the many years of distinguished service which President Baugher has rendered the College as Instructor, Dean, Trustee, and President.

During his term of office as President of the College, the institution has made some very significant strides forward in its growth, status, and development. President Baugher was instrumental in obtaining accreditation for the College in the Middle States Association. This has been a significant factor in building up the influence and prestige of the College.

Other areas in which he has rendered an outstanding service are in the fields of fund raising and enlarging the physical facilities of the

College by the addition of a modern library, the erection of two very attractive dormitories, and the enlarging of the Gibble Building.

Another major project in which President Baugher has given distinguished leadership is in the creation and development of the Harrisburg Area Center for Higher Education in which Pennsylvania State University, Temple University, the University of Pennsylvania, Lebanon Valley College, and Elizabethtown College co-operate in bringing college opportunities to the Harrisburg Area.

The Board wishes for President and Mrs. Baugher many more years of continued health and happiness and hopes that their retirement from heavy administrative duties and responsibilities will be enjoyed by them in the full measure which they so richly deserve for the years of dedicated service and sacrifice which they have given to Elizabethtown College.

As a mark of recognition of President A. C. Baugher's services for the years 1941 to 1961, the Board of Trustees arranged for a testimonial dinner at the Penn Harris Hotel in Harrisburg on May 1, 1961. Over three hundred persons attended this event and the following, among others, voiced their tributes to President Baugher:

Charles H. Boehm, *Superintendent of Public Instruction in Pennsylvania*

Frederick K. Miller, *President, Lebanon Valley College*

Clifford J. Backstrand, *President, Armstrong Cork Company*

C. N. Ellis, *President, Juniata College*

John L. Tivney, *President, Board of Harrisburg Area Center for Higher Education*

At this dinner presided over by H. E. Raffensperger, as toastmaster, announcement was made of the establishment at Elizabethtown College of the A. C. Baugher Lectureship in Science, and he was given a sizable monetary gift in behalf of the Board of Trustees.

On May 6, 1961, the Student Association of Elizabethtown College presented President Baugher with a large framed photograph of himself.

The final event celebrating the achievements of President Baugher was the Alumni Day Honors Luncheon held on May 27, 1961. Nevin H. Zuck presided over "This Is Your Life Program." Clifford B. Huffman, President of the Alumni Association, presented Alumni chairs to President and Mrs. A. C. Baugher.

During the last two years of President Baugher's administration plans were discussed in the meetings of the Board of Trustees concerning the need for three additional buildings: a Women's Dormitory, a Student Union Building and a Classroom Building. Having received favorable consideration by the Housing and Home Finance Agency for loans to erect the Myer Residence for Women and the Ober Residence for Men, President Baugher recommended to the Board that application be made for loans to erect the buildings deemed necessary for the future growth of the College. These applications were made, but the erection of these buildings was not consummated until 1962 for the second women's dormitory and the Student Center, and not until 1967 for the Classroom Building.

### In Memoriam

*Henry K. Ober, 1878-1939*

Henry K. Ober, churchman and educator, was born near Manheim, Pennsylvania, in 1878. His early years were spent on the farm, an institution in which he was deeply interested most of the years of his life. He united with the church in 1899 and was married to Cora Hess in the same year. To this union were born four children, two boys and two girls. The one son died at the age of two months, and Stanley, a mature person of great ability and promise, died in 1926. The death of Stanley marked the beginning of a decline in the health of the father up to the end of his life in 1939. The daughters, Mrs. Paul M. Grubb and Mrs. James M. Miller, both reside at this time in Elizabethtown.

For several years H. K. Ober taught a rural school in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. To further his education beyond the public school level, he attended Millersville State Normal School from which he received the degree, B. Pd. in 1908, and the degree M. Pd. in 1911. Later he attended Franklin and Marshall College and was granted the B. S. degree in 1918, and from Columbia University he received the M. A. degree in 1922. By his attendance at the University of Pennsylvania in special sessions he completed all of the residence requirements for the Ph. D. degree.

In 1902 his name first appears on the Faculty roster as an instructor in Penmanship, Bookkeeping and Arithmetic, and he maintained a practically continuous period of service to the College as

teacher and President until his death in 1939. In addition to his teaching program he served as Treasurer and Business Manager of the College from 1904 to 1911. He was President of the College from 1918-1921 and from 1924 to January 1, 1928. He also served as Secretary of the Board of Trustees from 1930 to 1936 and was Chairman of the Board from 1936 to 1939.

H. K. Ober was ordained to the Christian ministry in 1915 and from 1928 to 1939 he was the pastor of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren. For twenty-one years he was President of the Lancaster County Sunday School Association and also served a term as Vice President of the Pennsylvania Sunday School Association. The District of Eastern Pennsylvania called him to a number of committees and boards over a period of many years. For twenty-eight years he was a member of the General Board of Christian Education of the Church of the Brethren, and in 1929 he was the Moderator of the General Conference of the Church of the Brethren at North Manchester, Indiana.

He was also an active member of the Elizabethtown Rotary Club, a surveyor, a justice of the peace, an associate in a manufacturing concern, and a man interested in the civic life of the community.

During the time of his teaching career he published *Principles of Education*, *Child Rights*, *Orange Blossoms*, and *Training the Sunday School Teacher*.

The personality of H. K. Ober has been well delineated in the *History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*, page 226:

Brother Ober was blessed with the ability of mingling and identifying with people. His concern for the welfare of others knew almost no limits and his fatherly love and sacrifice left behind impressions which will not be erased. . . . He knew that to identify with people, particularly young people, required that he become one of them. And how he loved young people! He loved to be in their lively meetings to address them. His youth lectures were often spiced with vivid illustrations, and on many occasions he would quicken the interest of his audience with his quaint Pennsylvania Dutch expressions. He was an excellent lecturer, always fast moving, always pleasant. . . . In his lecture, *Child Rights*, intended especially for young parents, eternal truths were conveyed to the hearers through well told stories. If a hearer forgot the principle he could readily reconstruct it because he could never forget the stories.

The Faculty and students of the College, in resolutions of sympathy to the bereaved family, paid the following tribute to him in *The Etownian* of March 24, 1937:

We, the Faculty and students of the College, hereby record our deep appreciation of Dr. Ober's fatherly love and concern for each member of the College family. We recall with gratitude his sincere efforts to uphold the Word of God, Christian standards of living, and fellowship in service. His earnest counsel and prayers remain in our hearts as a benediction. His life was truly given to his Master as a living sacrifice.

H. K. Ober died on March 12, 1939. More than fifteen hundred people attended the funeral services held in the Church of the Brethren. Dean A. C. Baugher, Acting Elder of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren and President Schlosser spoke at the memorial services on the text: "For me to live is Christ and to die is gain." Philippians 1:22. An overflow service was held in the Church of God.

#### *George N. Falkenstein, 1859-1949*

Largely to the perseverance and stamina of G. N. Falkenstein Elizabethtown College owes its organization as a church-owned educational institution. In the first chapters of this *History of Elizabethtown College* are recorded the tireless and time consuming efforts put forth by a Founder of Elizabethtown College. His academic training, beginning in the famous York County Academy and continuing in graduate work at the University of Michigan, is also delineated in a former chapter of this *History of Elizabethtown College*.

George Falkenstein was born near Loganville, York County, on July 16, 1859, and died on August 17, 1949. He devoted most of his life to educational work as a prime leader in the location of the College and the organization of a Faculty and a course of study for the new institution. He was also the pastor of the Germantown Church of the Brethren, the mother church of the denomination in America. During his pastorate he found time to write the *History of the German Baptist Brethren Church* which has appeared in three editions and is now eagerly sought by libraries and students of church history.

G. N. Falkenstein ably served as the Principal of Elizabethtown

College the first two years in the absence of Principal I. N. H. Beahm, who was unable to serve on account of illness.

As the Secretary of the meetings preliminary to the organization of the College and as the first Secretary of the Board of Trustees, he left to posterity irreplaceable material on the beginnings of Elizabethtown College.

As a fitting token of his long years of useful service to the College, to the Church of the Brethren in particular, and to the Kingdom of God in general, the Board of Trustees voted to honor him with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He received this degree on November 20, 1948.

In an expression of sympathy to his family upon his death and in a fitting tribute to his memory, the Board of Trustees and the Faculty wrote:

The homegoing of Elder G. N. Falkenstein brings to an earthly close the activities of a beloved father among college and church leaders. We, the Trustees and Faculty of Elizabethtown College, rejoice in the many-sided ministry of the one who led the academic work of the College during its first years. He kept in helpful contact with the work of the College for nearly half a century. . . .

We recognize the sterling worth of Elder Falkenstein's strong, stable, Christlike character ripened into attractive usefulness through ninety years. His friendly, considerate, and wholesome attitude was a help to many people whom he served. His preaching was clear and forceful. His writing of *The History of the German Baptist Brethren Church*, published in 1901, was a valuable historical contribution to his church.

#### *J. I. Baugher, 1889-1949*

One of the most outstanding inspirational teachers of Elizabethtown College was J. I. Baugher, a brother of President Baugher. Not only was he a great teacher but also an influential member in the life of the church.

J. I. Baugher was born on March 7, 1889, near Black Rock, in York County and was the oldest of the thirteen children of Aaron S. and Lydia Buser Baugher. He was graduated with honors from the Glenville High School. To his marriage with Lillian Mae Sterner were born seven children.

He was called to the Christian ministry by the Black Rock Church

in 1918. After teaching in the public schools of York County he conducted classes in the Spring Normal and the Academy at Elizabethtown College. From 1922 to 1930 he headed the Department of Education at Elizabethtown College and directed practice teaching in the public schools. He received the A. B. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1923, the A. M. degree from Columbia University in 1926, and the Ph. D. degree from Columbia University in 1930. He served as Superintendent of the Hershey Public Schools and organized the Hershey Junior College in 1938, the first public junior college in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. After serving from 1942-1944 as a Senior Educational Specialist in planning and research with the United States Government in Washington, he was elected to the position of Professor of Education at Manchester College, Indiana. On the completion of two years' work in that field he was called to the presidency of Bridgewater College on July 1, 1946. A series of heart attacks compelled him to give up his educational career. His last years were spent in York, Pennsylvania, where he died on August 25, 1949.

The following tribute to his memory appeared in the *Bulletin* of Bridgewater College:

Perhaps more significant has been the spirit that has characterized his administration. It has been one of co-operative fellowship through the college community, including the Faculty and student body. . . . His knowledge in the field of education, his interest in the church, his appreciation for the power of education in liberating the mind, his comradeship with fellow faculty members, his approachableness and understanding manner with students, his vision for a greater Bridgewater, and his progressive spirit have left their mark on the Bridgewater campus.

In addition, this tribute quoted from the *History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965* is another expression of the traits of J. I. Baugher:

He was liberal in educational and religious philosophies. His was a liberal mind. New thoughts did not shock him, perhaps a saving quality in rearing seven children. The preoccupation of people with conservative thoughts and petty ideas tended to distress him. He longed to see the Church of the Brethren appreciate more fully the richness of the traditions of other churches. He found it deeply satisfying to hear the great preachers of the day of all the churches and oc-

casionally to attend their services of worship. He insisted that one must know the thinking of the best minds in whatever field is chosen for service.

### *I. N. H. Beahm, 1859-1950*

The person chosen by the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College on April 12, 1900, to serve as the Principal of the newly organized institution was Isaac Newton Harvey Beahm, better known in the Church of the Brethren as Brother Beahm. He was born at Good's Mill in the Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, on May 14, 1859. Illness, however, prevented his assuming his duties as Principal, but his health so much improved that he was elected President of Elizabethtown College for the year 1904-05 and continued in that Office until the end of the year 1909-1910.

His early school opportunities were very limited, but he was able to attend Bridgewater College, Virginia, shortly after the institution was founded, and in 1887 he was graduated in the Normal English course and given an A. B. degree. After a short period of teaching he was called to the Faculty of his Alma Mater to teach courses in elocution and rhetoric. In 1890 he founded the Botetourt Normal School and the Prince William Normal School in 1897, both in Virginia. In July, 1899, he was elected to the presidency of Lordsburg College, California, (now La Verne College) but he was physically unable to take up the work. In 1900 he was called to assume the principalship of Elizabethtown College, but his health prevented his undertaking the work as Principal for a period of three years. He was elected President of Elizabethtown College beginning with the year 1904-05.

In 1908 he was asked to organize a new school at Nokesville (the Prince William Normal School had closed) under the name of Hebron Seminary. Nokesville then became the home of President Beahm and family for many years.

On July 23, 1881, he was elected to the Christian ministry and ordained on November 23, 1889. During his life he was away from home much of the time lecturing and in evangelistic work throughout the Church of the Brethren. He conducted a tour to the Holy Land in 1906-07. Many of his later lectures were based on this trip during which he preached to a large audience in Jerusalem.

He was a participant in the Fiftieth Anniversary Program of the founding of Elizabethtown College.

*The History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*, contains a definitive account of the career of this first Principal and first President of Elizabethtown College. Some facts of this biographical sketch have been drawn from it. This *History* states:

But apart from service within college walls, I. N. H. Beahm was eager all the while to further Christian Education in general. He was an educator-at-large and an ambassador of good will. . . . To sit and be neutral was not his way. Rather he spoke out again and again. He did not become sour or vindictive or violent when opposed or ignored. . . . Brother Beahm had an inexhaustible fund of native wit. . . . B. M. Mow reports that he remarked about it once to his father-in-law. With a twinkle I. N. H. replied: "Yes, I have it pretty well mastered, except for two points." "What points?" asked Brother Mow. Said I. N. H., "First, what to say; second how to say it."

Thus his ministry has been especially sought after by the conservative and lowly. Home missions, new churches, evangelism, and trouble shooting carried him into the far corners of his state and nation. He did not spare himself. . . . There was his famous feat of preaching twenty different sermons in a two hundred mile dash across his state in one day, July 26, 1931, to celebrate his fifty years in the ministry.

He met a tragic death at the age of ninety-one on November 11, 1950, when he was instantly killed in a motor car collision. He had attended a communion service at the Jones Chapel Church of the Brethren and was on his way to another appointment with W. C. Sweitzer in North Carolina. He met death with "his boots on," as he had always wished. Funeral services were conducted at Nokesville, Virginia, by his brother-in-law, Rufus P. Bucher of Quarryville, Pennsylvania.

#### *Jacob G. Meyer, 1884-1951*

Jacob G. Meyer, another prominent alumnus of Elizabethtown College, departed this life during the administration of President A. C. Baugher. He was born on the Meyer farm near Fredericksburg in 1884, the son of Jacob Wenger and Leah Gibble Meyer. His academic training included the Pd. B. degree from Elizabethtown Col-

lege in 1905; the A. B. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in 1910; the M. A. degree from Columbia University in 1915; and the Ph. D. degree from New York University in 1926. He taught a number of years in the rural schools of Pennsylvania, two years at the Elizabethtown Academy, five years as an instructor at Elizabethtown College, two years as an instructor in general science at the Horace Mann High School, New York City, and two years as professor of Education at Elizabethtown College, 1918 to 1920.

On August 22, 1920, he was asked to serve as Chairman of the Elizabethtown College Faculty in the absence of R. W. Schlosser, Vice President, and H. K. Ober, President, and on March 22, 1921, he was elected President of Elizabethtown College and served in that office until 1924. At the beginning of his administration he laid the foundations for the erection of a future Gibble Science Hall and spent considerable time on the field soliciting funds for this building. Partly through his efforts, the State Council of Education granted Elizabethtown College the right to grant baccalaureate degrees on December 19, 1921.

Desiring to complete the work for his doctorate President Meyer resigned his office to attend New York University which granted him the Ph. D. degree in 1926.

For a period of years from 1925 to 1939 he was Dean of the School of Education at Manchester College, Indiana, and at the same time was a visiting professor at the University of Chicago and Northwestern University. He was next elected President of Milton College in Wisconsin, which office he held from 1940-1944.

His latter years were spent in Seattle, Washington, where he was engaged in the preparation and publication of educational text books for public schools, standardized test materials, and other research findings.

J. G. Meyer was ordained to the Christian ministry by the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren in 1910. His death occurred in Seattle on March 6, 1951.

The factual material of the above sketch is largely based on the life of J. G. Meyer as it appears in *The History of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*.

The Minutes of the Faculty of Elizabethtown College for March 8, 1951, contain the following expression of sympathy and tribute to his labors:

We, the Faculty and students of Elizabethtown College, note with a sense of deep loss the homegoing of J. G. Meyer, minister, educator, and author. His contact with our College has continued throughout the years through his visits to his brother Professor E. G. Meyer.

J. G. Meyer served as instructor in our College and also as President from 1921 to 1924. Thus he contacted a large part of our constituency until he left for other fields of service. His wholesome, thorough work was a blessing to many.

*Rufus P. Bucher, 1883-1956*

Rufus P. Bucher was the second past Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College to depart this life during the administration of President A. C. Baugher. Rufus, as he was universally called, was born near Kleinfeltersville, Lebanon County, on his father's farm. His father, George Bucher, and his mother were both married twice and had a total family of thirteen children. Desiring to bring the Brethren witness to a new neighborhood, he moved with his family to a farm near Quarryville in Lancaster County. It was on a corner of his farm that the Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren was built in 1897. His father was one of the early trustees of Elizabethtown College to have a son enroll in the newly-founded institution. Rufus was one of the first six students enrolled and attended a number of terms. At College he met his wife, Naomi White, also a student at the College. To this union ten children were born. Rufus and his wife engaged in the teaching profession and later started farming on a tract of land adjoining his father's farm. Of this life on the farm the *History of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915 to 1965* states:

Theirs was an earnest and gladsome home where industry, piety, responsibility and faithfulness were mixed with kindness, patience, and gay humor.

On May 11, 1901, the Mechanic Grove Church called him to the Christian ministry. Few ministers in the Church of the Brethren have had a wider experience in the evangelistic program of the church. He was a man of extraordinary influence because of his ability to present the gospel message on the plane of understanding of the common people, because of his quaint Pennsylvania German accent and vocabulary, and because of the soul searching messages delivered from the pulpit. He was engaged in evangelistic meet-

ings in most of the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania and in at least thirteen states of the Union. Thousands of persons were added to the Church during the preaching of his biblically centered sermons. His evangelistic fervor was not manifested in sensationalism but in the simple presentation of Gospel truth.

Even though a number of weeks over a period of forty-five years were spent annually among the churches, he was in reality the pastor of the Mechanic Grove Church. From 1915 to 1956 he was the Moderator of his local church, which increased in membership during those years from ninety to three hundred fifty. He also served as the moderator of a number of additional churches.

From 1912 to 1953 he served on the Mission Board of the District of Eastern Pennsylvania; he was a member of the Standing Committee of the Church of the Brethren twelve times; he was the Moderator of the Conference of the Church of the Brethren held at Wenatchee, Washington, in 1946.

In 1947 Bethany Theological Seminary conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. *The History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915 to 1965*, makes the following comment on this event:

The citation called attention to the Brethren pattern of life which cares more for spiritual graces than for ostentation and luxury. It regarded Brother Rufus as a notable example of this pattern of life. It called attention to his sacrificial service.

His death occurred in April, 1956. He lies buried in the beautiful rural cemetery just behind the new church edifice, which he lived to see erected, near the original church in which he labored so faithfully for his Master.

The Board of Trustees paid the following tribute to him in a letter to his widow and family:

Today we join you in mourning. You have lost a companion and father, and we a colleague in the work of Christian education.

You and your husband spent one year less than half a century in sharing the successes and refreshing experiences that have come to you while you were establishing your home, rearing a great family, building a church, and serving a community. Without a doubt you must also have been called upon to stand together through hours of trial and testing.

We are especially mindful of his relation and service to Elizabethtown College. He was one of the first six students to enroll in Elizabethtown College in the fall of 1900. He was a member of the Board of Trustees for forty years, fifteen of which he served as Chairman of the Board. Eighteen months ago the Board elected him as Chairman Emeritus. This indicates the esteem in which he was held.



ROY E. MC AULEY  
*Dean of College, 1956-1961*  
*President of College, 1961-1966*

## CHAPTER EIGHT

# Administration of Roy E. McAuley | 1961-1966

### Election of President Roy E. McAuley

On several occasions, when a new President of Elizabethtown College was to be selected, the Board of Trustees chose the Dean of Instruction of the preceding administration for this office. This procedure was again followed in the election of Roy E. McAuley to the presidency of the College. On September 1, 1956, he was elected to the deanship of the College and served in that capacity until July 1, 1961, the end of the administration of President Baugher. Because of Roy E. McAuley's administrative ability and his comprehension of the academic affairs of a college, the Board of Trustees saw in him the next President of the College.

President McAuley is a native of Kansas and has a background of service in the ministry and in education. He was ordained to the ministry in the Church of the Brethren and served as a pastor of the Wichita and Monitor churches in Kansas while a student at McPherson College. At a later date he was pastor of the Omaha, Nebraska, Church of the Brethren and of the Presbyterian Church at Akron, Colorado.

President McAuley received the B. S. degree from McPherson College in 1943; the B. D. degree from Bethany Theological Seminary, Chicago, in 1946; the A. M. degree from the University of

Omaha in 1948; and the Ed. D. degree from the University of Denver in 1955.

His teaching experience began in the public schools of Omaha, Nebraska, where he taught two years prior to joining the Faculty of McPherson College, Kansas, as Assistant Professor of English from 1949 to 1952. After several years in the ministry, concurrent with graduate studies, he took a position at Northern State Teachers' College in South Dakota as an Assistant Professor in English for a period of three years.

On October 15, 1960, the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College elected him to the presidency of the College for a term of three years beginning July 1, 1961. The Board also asked him to select a Dean and a Faculty, together with other personnel for the year 1961-1962. As requirements for a Dean, the Board of Trustees stipulated the following:

1. An earned doctorate
2. Experience in college teaching
3. A churchman kindly disposed toward the beliefs and practices of the Church of the Brethren
4. Possession of the highest educational standards and skills, and capable of developing them in others
5. Love for flexibility in dealing with people
6. Preferably a married man
7. Preferably be under middle age
8. Possession of broad educational sympathies

*The Etownian* of July 17, 1961, records:

Quietly and without fanfare, Roy E. McAuley became the eighth President of Elizabethtown College on July 1. He succeeded A. C. Baugher who retired to the post of the first President Emeritus in the history of the institution.

President McAuley expressed quiet confidence in the future of the institution as he took over his new office. He indicated that the College plans to continue its program as a service institution with obligations to its alumni, to the Church of the Brethren, to the community and to the general constituency built up over the years. He further announced that one of his objectives as President would be the drawing up of a long range plan to guide the program of the College in terms of personnel, academic approach, and areas of service.

On October 28, 1961, fitting inaugural ceremonies were held in

the Church of the Brethren, at which time about six hundred persons were present. In the absence of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Vice Chairman Noah S. Sellers presided and installed Roy E. McAuley as President of Elizabethtown College.

Seventy-eight delegates from colleges, universities, and learned societies witnessed the ceremony. The program follows:

Official Greetings . . . . .	Galen C. Kilhefner <i>Member, Board of Trustees</i>
Invocation . . . . .	A. C. Baugher <i>President Emeritus of Elizabethtown College</i>
Installation of President McAuley . . . . .	Noah S. Sellers <i>Vice Chairman of Board of Trustees</i>
Address . . . . .	Lawton G. Derthick <i>Assistant Executive Secretary National Education Association</i>
Music . . . . .	College Choir
Benediction . . . . .	Ralph W. Schlosser <i>Past President of Elizabethtown College</i>

A reception for the Faculty, trustees, and guests concluded the ceremonies.

After purchasing the Paul M. Grubb, Sr., property on College Avenue, the Board of Trustees voted to renovate the property for the home of the President of Elizabethtown College. Since this action by the Board, two presidents have made this property their home up to this date of writing.

### **Appointment of Dean Jacob E. Hershman**

Referring to his appointment as Dean of Instruction of Elizabethtown College effective August 1, 1961, Jacob E. Hershman stated:

This is the highlight of my career.

At the time of his selection for the deanship of the College Jacob E. Hershman was Principal of the Hancock High School at Hancock, Maryland. His previous positions as teacher, curriculum coordinator, and principal provided the necessary experience, background and a stepping stone to his new position.



JACOB E. HERSHMAN  
Dean of Instruction, 1961-1966

Dean Hershman was a native of Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. Elizabethtown College granted him the degree B. S. in 1936, and the University of Maryland the degree M. S. in 1949 and the degree Ed. D. in 1956.

The *Etownian* of May 6, 1961, stated:

Dean Hershman classifies himself as an avid sports fan; he participated in athletics both in high school and in college. Also an avid reader, he keeps himself well informed on all contemporary problems. He emphasized his love to work with young people.

His objectives in his new position are stated in this same article:

The development of mature skills and understanding, and the development of a conscious moral and spiritual sensitivity are two major objectives which should be foremost in the minds of students at Elizabethtown College—knowledge and Christian character.

Dean Hershman, in his article in the *Etownian* of October 20, 1966, "*The Pitfalls of Mediocrity*," states his philosophy of education:

Until we can replace the great chasm that was created by our current mass production—

Until we can replace this vacuum with an equally exciting chance for individual expression through self-creativity—

Until we can guide our young people to a point where they sincerely admire and accept the lives and deeds of such great men as Salk and Edison as being more worthy of emulation than the lives of many of our pseudo-contemporaries—

Until we, as interested persons, are willing to afford to learning the same dignity and honor that we give to character and integrity—

Until we can develop within the thinking of our young people an acceptable and consistent line of demarcation dividing right from wrong—

Until these points are realized and accepted as an indigenous part of our cultural advancement, can society hope for nothing greater than mediocrity in the product she is producing.

In his office hung a motto:

A college is not a second-rate institution because it admits students whose intellectual ability is average. It becomes second-rate only if it fails to challenge these students, as well as their more talented classmates, to work to the optimum level of their respective abilities.

As Dean of Instruction he knew his responsibilities and handled them well. His ability as a counselor of students was manifest in his painstaking concerns for the individual student.

On January 17, 1966, Dean Hershman presented his written resignation of the deanship to become effective July 1, 1966. The resignation was accepted by the Board and a committee of five appointed to take steps to procure a dean for the College.

### Treasurer Earl H. Kurtz

From the beginning of Elizabethtown College the office of Treasurer has been fraught with many headaches. But Earl H. Kurtz, with a background of experience, has nobly and efficiently served in this position. Mr. Kurtz is the son of a former Trustee of the College and was graduated from Elizabethtown College with a major in education with the Class of 1935. Following graduation he taught English, history and business courses in the New Cumberland High School. In 1938 he received his Master's degree in Business Administration from New York University, and then for several years he taught in the schools of Wilmington, Delaware.

He answered a call from Elgin, Illinois, to be the Manager of the Brethren Publishing House, a position he held for seventeen years.



EARL H. KURTZ

Treasurer of College, 1958-

In 1958 he became Treasurer of Elizabethtown College and is serving in that capacity at the time of this writing.

The *Conestogan* of 1964 sets forth his duties:

As Treasurer of the College, Mr. Kurtz has several main responsibilities, including the management of all the physical and business affairs. He heads the Financial Aid Committee which deals with providing loans for Elizabethtown College students. All matters with the government, including the National Defense Student Loan Program, lie in his hands. It is his task to obtain government loans for building construction. But his job is not complete after the loan has been obtained. He further acts as college liaison with the architect during building construction. Through careful tactics, Mr. Kurtz has been able to obtain a large amount of money from the National Defense Loan Program, considering the size of the College. Since most of his work deals with providing more adequate facilities, this will continue to be Mr. Kurtz's goal in the future. He hopes to see a few more buildings on the campus in the next five to ten years.

Mr. Kurtz is also an ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren and enjoys keeping in contact, through preaching, with the local congregations who help to support the College. He is also a dynamic personality in the Board of Administration of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. In his dealings with government officials and in the supervision of building operations on the campus he has

manifested a masterful comprehension of college finance. The building programs of the College since the beginning of his term as Treasurer of Elizabethtown College testify to his business acumen.

In recognition of Mr. Kurtz's efficient management of the finances of the College, especially for his efforts to arrange the financing of the Living Learning Center with a loan of \$1.9 million at three percent from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Board of Trustees on January 16, 1971, adopted the following:

In every institution there are those dedicated and competent persons who are the sinew and thrust of the enterprise. Too often their contribution goes by unheralded and unnoticed.

One such person at Elizabethtown College is Mr. Earl H. Kurtz. He brings to his task as College Treasurer a wealth of experience and understanding and a steadfast loyalty to the institution. His efficient management of our finances and physical plant must be a model for other men in similar posts.

The Board of Trustees and Associates express to Mr. Kurtz their high regard and appreciation especially for his efforts to arrange financing for the living-learning center. He is to be commended for his exemplary devotion to the progress of Elizabethtown College.

## Faculty

President Roy E. McAuley during his term as Dean of Instruction strengthened the academic standing of the College by curricular changes and by improving methods of instruction in the courses offered. He was much concerned about the academic training and efficiency of the Faculty. This was manifested in his employment of a number of young well-trained aggressive teachers.

The Catalog of the College for the years of his leadership lists the following heads of departments:

### *Bible and Philosophy*

Robert A. Byerly, S.T.D., Temple University

### *Biology*

C. S. Apgar, Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh

### *Business*

Edgar T. Bitting, C.P.A., M.B.A., University of Penna.

*Chemistry*

O. F. Stambaugh, Ph.D., The Pennsylvania State University

*Education*

Elmer B. Hoover, M.Ed., The Pennsylvania State University

*English*

Louise K. Kelly, Ph.D., The Pennsylvania State University

*History and Political Science*

Clyde K. Nelson, M.A., University of Penna.

*Mathematics*

Irvin L. Bossler, M.S., Purdue University

*Modern Languages*

Frederick C. Neumann, Ph.D., University of Vienna

*Music*

Nevin C. Fisher, M.Mus., Northwestern University

*Physics*

Hubert M. Custer, M.S., Franklin and Marshall College

*Psychology*

David I. Lasky, Ph.D., Temple University

*Sociology*

R. Bruce Lehr, M.A., Mexico City College

During the administration of President McAuley several members of the Faculty with Master's degrees were active candidates at Universities at home and abroad for the doctorate and others who had obtained the doctor's degree were added to the Faculty. At the completion of his term of office, sixteen Faculty members held an earned doctor's degree. President McAuley spared no pains to lend assistance to Faculty members actively engaged in securing a doctor's degree.

**Robert S. Young, Assistant in Development Program**

In 1951 President Baugher appointed Robert S. Young to assist in the Development Program of the College, and when President McAuley entered upon the presidency of the College in 1961, he extended Mr. Young's work in this same field. During the following administration of President Morley J. Mays he has been serving as Director of Special Gifts.

He was a student at Lebanon Valley College for two years and

later attended the University of Pennsylvania. The 1965 *Conestogan* records a job analysis of the Administrative Assistant to the President:

Some of his duties were: to explore new areas and develop friends as sources of financial support; to develop the church-founded independent college; to do estate planning work and secure deferred gifts from people who wished to include the College in their wills; to make personal contacts for the College by interviews; and to procure endowment and provide essential facilities for the College.

In the 1964 *Conestogan* Mr. Young states:

My job is to find new friends for the College because it is on friends and supporters that the success of the College depends.

In the report of President McAuley to the Board of Trustees on June 2, 1962, he stated:

Much of the credit for our fund raising so far this year belongs to Robert S. Young, my Administrative Assistant.

Most of the efforts of Mr. Young were centered on four counties of Pennsylvania: Lancaster, Lebanon, York, and Dauphin. His average travel for a year amounted to more than twenty thousand miles. Because much of his work consisted of interviews with many individuals who could not be contacted during the working hours of the day, Mr. Young spent many evenings with prospective donors and returned to his home late at night. As a result of these conferences with men and women of means, he was instrumental in securing a number of sizeable donations for the College and in having donors include in their wills bequests to the College.

In answer to the question "What attracts students to Elizabethtown College?" he stated in an interview with the writer of this *History of Elizabethtown College*:

Patrons are concerned about the moral and spiritual atmosphere of the College. Young people are desirous of an education in an atmosphere that emphasizes personal integrity. As long as Elizabethtown College remains unique in these respects young people will seek entrance to Elizabethtown College.

Mr. Young has during these last few years also assisted in the solicitation of industry for funds to support the expanding program of the College.

**James L. M. Yeingst, Director of Public Relations and Development**

President A. C. Baugher in 1957 sensed the need of wider publicity for the program of Elizabethtown College and of more intensive fund raising. Accordingly he appointed James L. M. Yeingst as Director of Public Relations and Development, an office he also held during the administration of President Roy E. McAuley. At present writing President Morley J. Mays has added to the duties of the office of Director of Development, the Executive Assistantship to the President for the year 1970-71.

James L. M. Yeingst is a graduate of the Class of 1957 with an A. B. degree and also holds an A. M. degree from The Pennsylvania State University. During his senior year at Elizabethtown College he served as night editor for the *Lebanon Daily News*.

With a staff of assistants, he directed the successful campaign instituted by President McAuley and designated as the Pathway to Fulfillment. The sound judgement and congenial personality of Mr. Yeingst have won for him the esteem and respect of both Faculty and student body.

**Pathway to Fulfillment**

The Alumni Edition of the *Etownian* for January, 1964, contained the announcement of plans for a three-year fund raising program to raise monies for the construction of three major buildings on the campus now comprising more than eighty-six acres. The plan envisioned an addition to the Zug Memorial Library, a classroom building, and a physical education building.

President McAuley designated this effort as the Pathway to Fulfillment which had a long range goal of six million dollars over a period of ten years. He further stated:

The campaign will be launched with a convocation on April 10, 11, and 13, 1964, the first phase of which will cover a period of three years and have a goal of \$1,250,000. This drive is a big step in our plan to provide needed facilities to serve a student body of approximately 1200 students.

The first project will aim to triple the current library facilities with an estimated cost of \$360,000.

The second project, a classroom building designed to provide better

instructional facilities and faculty offices, will cost approximately \$500,00.

The third project, a physical education building, will cost \$390,000.

A convocation was arranged for April 10, 11, and 13, 1964, for the purpose of launching the Pathway to Fulfillment program. The activities consisted of:

## Registration for representatives of the Church of the Brethren.

## A luncheon in the Church of the Brethren in Elizabethtown.

## An address by former Congressman Brooks Hays.

## Presentation of citations to twenty outstanding citizens in Eastern Pennsylvania

## Reception of guests by President McAuley in Myer Residence for Women.

An address by Sergio Rojas, former Cuban diplomat who broke with Fidel Castro

Fidel Castro.  
Presentation of citations to outstanding alumni of the College

A luncheon sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College.

A dinner for area business and industrial leaders in Myer Residence for Women at which William F. Butler, Vice President of Chase Manhattan Bank in New York, brought the final message.

The organization effected for the financial drive follows:

### *National Honorary Chairmen*

Elmer L. Esbenshade

I. Wayne Keller

### *National General Chairmen*

D. C. Stambaugh

Frank S. Carper

## *Convocation Chairman*

Paul M. Grubb, Sr.

## *Leadership Gifts Chairmen*

Horace E. Raffensperger

Norman L. Bowers

## *General Alumni Chairman*

J. Albert Seldomridge

### *General Canvass Co-Chairmen*

Jacob H. Ruhl

Cyrus G. Bucher

### *General Alumni Canvass Chairman*

Richard F. Kuntz

This organization of businessmen, alumni, and a number of additional area chairmen brought the campaign to a successful conclusion within the three-year period assigned for the task. On May 16, 1966, James L. M. Yeingst stated that Trustee David C. Stambaugh, National Chairman, had informed him:

As of today, counting cash and pledges from all sources the Pathway to Fulfillment program has realized a total of \$1,465,276.64, an amount considerably above the initial goal of \$1,250,000. This total includes those monies we had available for Pathway projects at the start of our formal campaign more than two years ago, receipts from our Annual Giving Funds during the period of the campaign, and funds given or pledged in the various area campaign for capital gifts.

We have taken that important first step; we have made a splendid start along our Pathway to Fulfillment. Our continuing challenge now is to maintain our momentum.

Several major gifts helped to surpass the initial goal of \$1,250,000.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Dorsheimer of Elizabethtown gave a sum in excess of \$10,000, which put the Greater Elizabethtown Area phase of the campaign over the top in its efforts to raise \$250,000 toward the grand goal. Mrs. Dorsheimer's grandparents were contributors to the erection of the first building on the campus.

David E. Brinser, an alumnus of the College, pledged \$50,000 to the Pathway to Fulfillment. He and his wife were also liberal Contributors in the remodelling of the Gibble Science Hall.

A sum of \$92,000 was received from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in a settlement for land owned by Elmer Esbleshade near Lancaster. This sum was used in the construction of the Esbleshade Classroom Building.

D. C. Stambaugh, in his report to James L. M. Yeingst, also reported that nearly 2300 direct subscriptions were made to the Pathway campaign for capital gifts.

At the time of this writing the Alumni Physical Education Building containing the Dr. Troy M. and Elsie S. Thompson Gymnasium has been built and dedicated.

### Teachers for West Africa Program

This program is sponsored by a grant from the Hershey Foods Corporation. Each year a limited number of applicants for teaching

positions in the secondary schools of Ghana and Nigeria are selected:

This grant is a concrete expression of interest in bettering relations between the people of Africa and the United States through a vital co-operation at the secondary school educational level.

The beginning of this program dates to a remark made by Samuel F. Hinkle, then President of the Hershey Chocolate Corporation, at a commencement luncheon held in the Hershey Community Dining Room on May 29, 1961. His statement was:

For some time I have been considering the possibility of a program at Elizabethtown College in which the Hershey Chocolate Corporation would devote some of its profits to sending American teachers to Ghana and Nigeria.

President Nkrumah of Ghana, on a visit to Hershey, also suggested that the United States should send five hundred teachers to Ghana. Acting on these suggestions, President Baugher discovered that Samuel F. Hinkle had a personal acquaintance with a number of the leaders in the government of Ghana and Nigeria. After Roy McAuley was elected to the presidency of the College, A. C. Baugher had conferences with him and with officials of the Hershey Chocolate Corporation regarding the launching of this project.

After a satisfactory investigation of the facilities and accreditation of Elizabethtown College for the preparation of teachers on the elementary and secondary levels, the Hershey Chocolate Corporation offered a grant of up to \$250,000 to Elizabethtown College to be used in the selection, preparation, and support of American teachers for Nigeria and Ghana.

The grant was accepted October 25, 1961, and made available to Elizabethtown College on the following basis: \$100,000 for the first year and an additional grant of \$25,000 as a contingency fund in the administration of the principal grant of \$100,000; during the second year another \$100,000 and \$25,000.

A committee for the administration of the grant was named: President McAuley, of Elizabethtown College, John O. Hershey, President of the Milton Hershey School; and President Emeritus Baugher of Elizabethtown College, who was selected as Director of the Program.

He directed this program from its inception in 1961 until the

time of his death on November 2, 1962. As his successor James M. Berkebile was appointed by President McAuley.

James M. Berkebile, in a resumé of facts pertaining to the work, stated:

The employment of teachers is actually made not by TWAP but by the Ministries of Education in Nigeria and Ghana.

Single and married couples without children are employed, but in the case of married couples both persons must have teaching experience in the areas called for. Only secondary school teachers are employed. The term of service is two years. The beginning salary is equivalent to \$2880 per annum for a teacher with no experience. For each year of full-time experience an additional \$100 per annum is granted. The maximum is \$3280.

All candidates must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree.

TWAP provides economy air travel each year the teacher serves. The travel is between the home station and post of service.

A furnished apartment or house is made available with hard furniture at approximately ten dollars per month.

The candidate must be a citizen of the United States.

Sixteen percent of the teachers are negroes.

In 1962 President McAuley and President John Hershey visited the African fields to make contact with the African-American Institute field personnel and to talk with them about setting up a suitable program; to visit participating schools; to discuss experiences with American teachers serving in African schools; and to view and judge general conditions which might have some bearing upon the program.

The first unit of seven teachers began their work in 1962 with a budget of \$8,587 for administration and \$23,369 for program. The second unit of teachers began in 1963 with a budget of \$21,000 for administration and \$142,775 for program. The total investment in TWAP up to January 1, 1970, was \$868,400. Prior to 1968 the program had a total of 166 teachers in the secondary schools and universities of Ghana and Nigeria. On September, 1968, there were 45 teachers on the field. Approximately 25 teachers are returned home each year. The contracts are for two years and may be renewed by mutual agreement.

Teachers are most in demand in the sciences and mathematics. But many have been placed in English, French, home economics and

a few in business. Almost all teachers placed, regardless of teaching fields, are asked to teach at least one class in English. All teaching is done in English, as this is the official language of both Ghana and Nigeria. Experienced teachers are most desired; however, most of the TWAP teachers are recent college graduates.

Basically the program seeks to help schools and universities in Ghana and Nigeria obtain the services of American teachers and professors. It is limited to these two countries since they contribute the major volume of cocoa beans to the world supply. It seems therefore only reasonable for the Hershey Foods Corporation to return in some fashion a helpful hand to those who have contributed to the primary source of the raw material for the chocolate industry in the United States. As a result of this TWAP venture, Elizabethtown College in 1968 established a program of study at the University of Ghana.

Elizabeth Garber a member of the Elizabethtown College Faculty served on the staff of Ghana University for the year 1970-71. The enrollment for 1968 was five students, for 1969 four students, and for 1970 four students.

### Plant Additions

In assessing the future needs of the Student Personnel Program Edward L. Crill, the Dean of Students, recommended to the President of the College that the following buildings should be erected in the order suggested:

1. A New Physical Education Building.

This facility will take considerable pressure from the Student Center and allow the physical education and athletic programs to develop to a fuller degree.

2. A New Women's Dormitory.

Some of the present dormitory facilities are inadequate and inefficient. A higher proportion of the increase in enrollment is in resident women students which fact creates greater demands for women's dormitory space.

3. A New Chapel Auditorium.

At present there is no facility on the campus which can seat the entire student body in a corporate worship service. There is also a great need for a place to house the music, drama and religious

departments so as to give them the adequate space needed in a liberal arts program.

### *B. Mary Royer Residence Hall*

On October 15, 1960, President Baugher had recommended to the Board of Trustees that an application be prepared for the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency asking for loans to erect a Women's dormitory to house one hundred and fifty students, and a



*Royer Hall*  
*Dedicated October 20, 1962*

Student Union Building. In a meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board of Trustees on December 22, 1960, a motion was passed to make application with the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency for a Student Union Building. It was further directed that the application should indicate a participation of \$100,000 in the project by the College. The Agency took favorable action on this application. The total cost of the two buildings was estimated at \$1,106,055.

The contract for the two buildings was awarded to Herman Wohlsen's Sons of Lancaster for \$1,098,059.

The three-story brick dormitory structure was erected on South Mount Joy Street during the spring and summer of 1962. The building was first occupied in September, 1962. Dedicatory ceremonies were held on October 20, 1962, at which time the building was named the B. Mary Royer Residence for Women. President McAuley presided at the services and Joseph W. Kettering, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced the name of the dormitory. B. Mary Royer, a resident of Richland, Pennsylvania, was graduated by the College in 1921. She served as a missionary to India from 1913 to 1947.



*Baugher Student Center  
Dedicated November 18, 1962*

*A. C. Baugher Student Center*

After a visit to the Housing and Finance Agency by President Baugher and Treasurer Kurtz, the College was informed that the Agency would be willing to finance a Student Union Building for Elizabethtown College. The first proposal was to erect a separate student union building and remodel the Student Alumni-Gymnasium but Architect J. Alfred Hamme proposed surrounding the old gymnasium with the new structure at a cost of \$450,000. This plan was given priority in construction and accordingly a request for a loan of

\$1,000,000 was sent in to the Housing and Finance Agency to cover the cost of the Student Union Building and a new women's dormitory. In a report of the Trustees to the Eastern and Southern Districts of Pennsylvania the estimated cost of the two buildings had risen to \$1,400,000, of which the College needed to supply \$456,000.

On February 25, 1961, President McAuley had strongly urged the inclusion of a swimming pool in the student union building. Accordingly, this building was so arranged as to maintain the facilities of the Student Alumni Gymnasium and add the following: a large snack bar, three bowling lanes, a swimming pool, a recreation room, a bookstore, a publication center, a radio station, lounges, conference rooms and a post office. On November 4, 1962, a ribbon cutting ceremony marked the formal opening of the Student Center and open house for students, Faculty, and staff. This was only one in a series of open houses planned for the building. On November 10, 1962, the Lancaster General Hospital Auxiliary held its annual fashion show in the Alumni Auditorium in the center of the new building, and on other days in November the local service clubs, local citizens, and Brethren youth groups utilized the facilities of the Student Center.

The Student Center was dedicated on November 18, 1962. The program follows:

Presiding . . . . .	President Roy E. McAuley <i>President of the College</i>
Invocation . . . . .	Earl H. Kurtz <i>Treasurer of the College</i>
Presentation of Keys . . . . .	Contractor Herman Wohlsen
Naming of Building and Unveiling of Portrait . . . . .	Joseph W. Kettering <i>Chairman of Board of Trustees</i>
Litany of Dedication . . . . .	Paul Dick <i>Chairman, Student Union Board</i>
Benediction . . . . .	Edward L. Crill <i>Dean of Students</i>

At this dedicatory ceremony, Joseph W. Kettering unveiled the portrait of A. C. Baugher, which is placed in the lounge of the building which is named the A. C. Baugher Student Center.

Among the special guests at the dedication program were:

The Alumni Council of Elizabethtown College

The Boards of Administration of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania

The Board of Trustees of the College

The Elizabethtown Borough Council

The Executive Committee of the Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College

### *Addition to Zug Memorial Library*

President McAuley had reported to the Board of Trustees on January 2, 1962, that the library of the College was inadequate, as it was built for a student body of 350 which had increased to 875. After considerable discussion in meetings of the Trustees, they voted on May 25, 1963, to build an addition to the Zug Memorial Library so that it could house 100,000 volumes and accommodate a student body of 1200. The plan adopted was to add two large wings to the original building so that facilities for both students and library staff would be more satisfactory.

The new building made provision for periodical rooms, record and listening rooms, reference rooms, a technical service room, offices, a



*Zug Memorial Library  
Dedicated October 15, 1965*

circulation desk, and a periodical reading room on the main floor. The ground floor contains the Brethren Heritage room, stacks, micro-film room, vault, and staff room. The building is centrally located; it is air-conditioned throughout, carpeted on the main floor, and contains group study rooms.

In order to provide funds for this addition to the library and for a classroom building, President McAuley recommended on February 26, 1963, to the Board of Trustees the launching of a fund raising campaign which, he designated as The Pathway to Fulfillment, to raise \$1,250,000 in three years. He also purposed to use the first returns of the campaign in the construction of the addition to the library.

The addition to the library was completed during the fall of 1965, and the following dedicatory services were held at the entrance steps of the building on October 15, 1965:

Invocation	R. W. Schlosser <i>President Emeritus of the College</i>
Gloria Patri	Concert Choir
Presentation of Keys to the President	Paul M. Grubb, Sr. <i>Chairman of Building and Grounds</i>
Act of Dedication and prayer	Roy E. McAuley <i>President of the College</i>
Charge to Faculty, Students and Literary Staff	Jacob E. Hershman <i>Dean of the College</i>
Presentation of Keys to Anna M. Carper, Librarian	
Alma Mater	

#### *Brinser Residence for Men*

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees voted on May 8, 1963, to file an application with the Housing and Home Finance Agency for a loan of \$750,000 for the erection of a men's dormitory to house one hundred and forty students and for the enlargement of the Dining Room in Myer Hall to accommodate two hundred and ten more students.

This men's dormitory was made possible by a large donation by David E. Brinser, Middletown, Pennsylvania. President McAuley, in



*Brinser Residence for Men  
Dedicated October 16, 1965*

accepting the gift at a meeting of the leaders of the Pathway to Fulfillment Campaign stated:

This gift is a generous and worthy demonstration of David E. Brinser's deep interest in Christian higher education.

David E. Brinser, an alumnus of the College, and his wife were also the donors of the Brinser Lecture Hall in the Gibble Science Building. In 1958 the College granted him an honorary degree, Doctor of Pedagogy. He began his career as a public school teacher in Londonderry Township, Dauphin County, at the age of seventeen and continued teaching in that system for forty-four years.

This dormitory is a three-story brick structure with a main lobby and student rooms of modern design. The dedicatory services were conducted on October 16, 1965. At these exercises J. W. Kettering, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced that they voted to name the building The David E. and Sadie M. Brinser Residence Hall for Men.



*Esbenshade Hall  
Dedicated May 13, 1967*

The Program follows:

Presiding . . . . .	Roy E. McAuley <i>President of the College</i>
Invocation . . . . .	Roy A. Johnson <i>Campus Minister</i>
Naming of Residence . . . . .	J. W. Kettering <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Presentation and Acceptance of Keys	
Act of Dedication . . . . .	James R. Hilton <i>Head of Brinser Hall</i>
Dedicatory Prayer . . . . .	President McAuley

### *Esbenshade Hall*

In a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees on January 15, 1962, President McAuley urged the erection of a classroom building and the Committee voted that preliminary line drawings be secured. The Board of Trustees realizing the urgent need for such a building decided to have an architect prepare working drawings of a building that would contain classrooms, seminar rooms, office suites, and a large lecture room. With a grant of \$387,-

750 from the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency given June 22, 1965, and a large donation from Elmer L. Esbenshade, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, the project was soon under way.

Ground breaking ceremonies were held on September 9, 1965, with President McAuley presiding. J. W. Kettering, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Jacob E. Hershman, Dean of the College, addressed those assembled for the occasion. During the summer of 1966 the imposing three story structure was completed. The dedicatory exercises were held on May 13, 1967, during the next president's administration. The program consisted of:

Presiding . . . . .	Morley J. Mays <i>President of the College</i>
Invocation . . . . .	Rev. Roy A. Johnson <i>College Minister</i>
Remarks . . . . .	Joseph W. Kettering <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>

#### The Passing of the Keys

Presentation of Statement of Elmer L. Esbenshade

prepared by him before his death by . . . Mrs. Christian H. Shenk

Litany of Dedication . . . . . Robert S. Young  
*Administrative Assistant*

#### Dedicatory Prayer

The three-floor air conditioned building contains eighteen general purpose classrooms, seminar rooms, a large (234 seats) auditorium for lectures, technical apparatus, and laboratories for instruction in modern languages, physics, earth science and psychology. Included in the building also are thirty-three faculty offices arranged in suites. The cost of construction and equipment was \$818,161.

By action of the Board of Trustees on April 25, 1964, the building was named Esbenshade Hall.

#### *Schlosser Residence for Women*

Earl Kurtz, Treasurer of the College, recommended to the Board of Trustees on April 25, 1964, that an application for a loan be filed for funds to erect another women's dormitory. The loan asked for from the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency was \$850,000. The building was to be a straight line structure on the

corner of College Avenue and South Mount Joy Street and was to house two hundred students. Some objections were filed on the location of the building by some alumni, patrons, and friends of the College, but a consensus of opinion was reached and the building erected on the site chosen by the architect. The projected cost of the building was \$965,933. The Trustees voted to give the contract to Wohlsen and Sons, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, for the erection of both Esbenshade Hall and the Women's dormitory for \$1,641,000.



*Schlosser Residence for Women  
Dedicated October 22, 1966*

Ground Breaking ceremonies were held for the dormitory on September 9, 1965. The floor plan of the building was designed to encourage group relationships, each group becoming a unit integrated into the total cycle of life within the residence. The structure is divided into ten living areas, or suites, each housing approximately twenty students and a senior counselor. In each area half of the rooms face College Avenue and the other half the Campus Dell. Each suite has its own bath, shower, and toilet facilities. Adjacent suites share laundry facilities, a lounge with kitchenette, and a study area. There are one hundred and ten residence rooms and a suite for the Head of the Residence. A large portion of the first floor comprises a commodious lounge, multi-purpose room, office, the Head Resident's suite, and guest rooms. The building is air-conditioned

and carpeted wall to wall throughout. The total cost of construction and equipment was \$1,080,000.

A Dedicatory program was held on October 22, 1966, in the lounge of the residence, which was named The Schlosser Residence for Women by the Board of Trustees on July 11, 1966. The program at the dedication of the building, in the next President's administration, follows:

Presiding	Morley J. Mays <i>President of the College</i>
Invocation	Rev. Roy A. Johnson <i>College Minister</i>
Remarks	J. W. Kettering <i>Chairman, Board of Trustees</i>
Passing of the Keys	
Presentation of Ralph W. Schlosser, <i>President Emeritus</i>	<i>Elizabethtown College</i>
Litany of Dedication	Morley J. Mays <i>President of the College</i>
Dedicatory Prayer	

In formally dedicating this residence in honor of President Emeritus Ralph Wiest Schlosser, the Trustees, Faculty, and students express appreciation for his sixty years of service to Elizabethtown College.

—From Program of Dedication

In accepting the honor of naming the new women's dormitory The Schlosser Residence for Women, and after recognizing Mrs. Schlosser for her numerous sacrifices during her husband's long term of service to the College he said:

I consider it an honor to have my name placed on the walls of this magnificent residence for women. But names placed upon walls will crumble away, names engraved in iron and bronze will rust and tarnish with the passing years. Even writing in books is a fascinating work, but pages will also pale and crumble in time.

My greatest joy over a period of three score years at Elizabethtown College is not manifest in the growth of our physical plant from one main building to twelve major structures, nor in the growth of a Faculty from twelve to over one hundred, nor in the increase of our student body from one hundred to over fourteen hundred.

My greatest lingering joy is not in these things but in having had the privilege of writing my personal philosophy of life into the lives of thousands of students who were in my classes.

From these students who are now teachers, school administrators, business and professional men and women go forth influences the results of which eternity alone will reveal.

## Miscellaneous Items

### *Dining Room Addition*

Upon the completion of Myer Hall, the dining room could accommodate from 575 to 600 students, but the increase in enrollment called for a dining room to seat 800 students. On May 25, 1963, the Board of Trustees voted to make application to the Housing and Home Finance Agency for a loan to enlarge the dining room in Myer Hall. Bids were asked in the project as outlined by the architect, and the contract was awarded to Wohlsen's Sons, Inc., Lancaster, Pennsylvania, at a cost of \$271,440.

### *Kiwanis Property*

For some time the College had insufficient room for equipment and storage facilities. On October 10, 1964, the Board of Trustees voted to negotiate with the Kiwanis Club of Elizabethtown for the purchase of their property on College Avenue, for \$45,000 plus a yearly half-tuition scholarship to be known as the Kiwanis Scholarship.

The structure on the twelve-acre tract was a concrete block building 60 x 200 feet. The building was purchased and is now used for the storage of tools, tractors, and other machinery used by the College. It also contains a paint and repair shop, storage space for College supplies, and an office for the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds of the College.

### *College Infirmary*

Myer Hall and Ober Hall originally housed the college infirmary, but the Trustees voted to eliminate these two infirmaries and house them in a double dwelling on South Mount Joy Street. By so doing the student nurses and the student health program were housed in one building. This also made it possible to house sixteen more students in the two dormitories.

The infirmary accommodates twelve patients and three student nurses.

### *Elizabethtown Church Classrooms*

At various times over the years, suggestions were made for the cooperative use of classrooms by the Church of the Brethren and the College. On March 3, 1965, the Church Council approved the following proposal of the Administrative Committee of the College:

1. That the Church make available the entire first floor of the proposed educational unit which includes seven classrooms that will accommodate 218 students.
2. That the classes for the educational wing be used for instruction in Bible, Philosophy, English, and Sociology and such other non-science courses as may be needed by the College.
3. That the lease agreement be entered into for a ten year period.
4. That the church assume responsibility for all repairs and maintenance.
5. That the College pay an annual rental of \$12,000.

### *Gifts to the College*

During the administration of President McAuley, the College received several large gifts.

#### 1. DANIEL WITHERS' BEQUEST

The Minutes of the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees of April 12, 1966, state:

It was reported that the College received a bequest of \$175,652.98 from the Daniel B. Withers estate subject to use as the Board of Trustees shall direct. The following action was taken: voted to recommend to the Board of Trustees that the proceeds from the bequest be applied to the resources available for capital additions as provided for in the Pathway to Fulfillment Program.

#### 2. TROY M. THOMPSON'S FARM

The *Etownian* of March 26, 1965, gives an account of the deeding of a farm owned by Dr. Troy M. Thompson to Elizabethtown College. The valuable 110-acre farm adjoining the Elizabethtown Borough School grounds thus became the property of the College. The offer of Dr. Troy Thompson was made to the College on December

11, 1964, and was favorably received by the Executive and the Finance Committees of the Board of Trustees. The farm was given to the College in exchange for an annuity. President McAuley, commenting on the transfer, said:

This action by Dr. and Mrs. Troy M. Thompson brings highly valued property to the College and is one of the larger of such transfers received by our institution. We are deeply indebted to the Thompsons for their support of our program.

Dr. Thompson has long been associated with the College through his position as physician for its athletic program. He was honored last spring when the College presented him with a Citizen's Citation in recognition of his community service.

### 3. THE ALUMNI GIVING FUND

For a number of years discussion centered in Alumni circles on an annual Alumni Giving Fund for the College. K. Ezra Bucher, '32, Treasurer of the College, and Eby C. Espenshade, '35, Director of Admissions, were the prime movers in this effort. The Alumni were further challenged in this movement by Clarence G. Enterline, '31, Alumni Secretary and Robert V. Hanle, '62, Director of Alumni Relations.

The following table indicates the total contributions to the Alumni Giving Fund beginning with the year 1958-59.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total Giving</i>
1958-59	\$169,453.24
1959-60	132,041.04
1960-61	154,777.32
1961-62	201,349.95
1962-63	187,484.14
1963-64	113,220.29
1964-65	93,274.31
Total	\$1,051,600.29

The reduced giving for the last two years was caused by an overlapping with the Pathway to Fulfillment Program instituted by President McAuley.

## Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College

The Minutes of the Board of Trustees indicate that in 1932 L. D. Rose, Secretary of the Alumni Association, urged the formation of a Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College, but no such organization came into being until March 17, 1956, when ten persons invited to the apartment of Miss Ethel M. B. Wenger in Paxtang organized the Women's Auxiliary. At this meeting an Executive Committee was named with following officers:

Miss Ethel M. B. Wenger, *Chairman*

Mrs. Merle E. Black, Jr., *Secretary*

Mrs. C. M. Papson, *Treasurer*

From a small group of eleven charter members the Auxiliary now has over a thousand members, who actively support the projects of the group. Scattered over the eastern part of Pennsylvania fourteen chapters of the Auxiliary have been functioning since 1961.

Varied are the monetary contributions since the organization of the Auxiliary. The first gift was a silver tea service for Myer Hall, according to the Minutes of the Auxiliary dated September 15, 1956. Following are more of the significant donations of a little more than a decade in the history of the Auxiliary:



ETHEL M. B. WENGER

First Chairman of Women's Auxiliary

- March 1958—Pajama Lounge in Myer Hall—Amount, \$2000  
February 1956—Cash donation to the College—Amount, \$500  
March 1961—Periodical Room in Library—Amount, \$5000 over five year period  
June 1961—Switch Board for Dramatic Club  
January 1962—Binding Periodicals—Amount, \$1000  
April 1964—Photography Equipment  
April 1967—Cash donation to Music Department—Amount, \$1000  
September 1967—Women's Symposium—Amount, \$1000  
February 1968—Tuition for a foreign student—Amount, \$500  
Baby Grand Piano for Music Department—Amount, \$2500  
February 1969—Cash donation to instructional Department—Amount, \$1500

The object of the Women's Auxiliary is to build a fellowship of women interested in Elizabethtown College and in the higher education of women. Membership is open to any woman interested in the welfare of Elizabethtown College.

The Auxiliary bazaars held on Homecoming Day during the past years provided a rich fellowship among the students, alumni, and other auxiliary members. In most of the years an appreciable profit was made by the Auxiliary in the sale of various articles and from the lunch counter.

### Debating Tournaments

For a number of years debating was at a low ebb in comparison with the interest shown during the twenties and thirties. President McAuley, an enthusiast in forensics, determined to secure a member on the Faculty who would bring back the glory of earlier years in this field of student activity.

Consequently he employed Professor Jobie E. Riley to head the Department of Speech and to give debating special emphasis. He was a graduate of Manchester College and held the B. D. degree from Bethany Theological Seminary. In 1959 he received a Master's degree from Northwestern University and has pursued work on his doctorate at Columbia and Temple universities. For two years he taught in a Junior College near Chicago prior to coming to Elizabethtown College in 1961.

In 1964 he established the Elizabethtown College Forensic Tour-

nament in which the following colleges participated: Bridgewater, Dickinson, East Stroudsburg, Messiah, Shippensburg, University of Pittsburgh, Villa Nova, and Harrisburg Area College. This tournament has been conducted annually since its inception. To debating the following activities have been added to the tournament: oratory, extemporary speaking, and interpretative reading. Attorney Jack B. Horner, Elizabethtown, Pa., is the donor of a Sweepstake Trophy which becomes the permanent trophy of the College winning it in three tournaments. In 1969 thirty-four colleges participated in the forensic activities on the campus of Elizabethtown College.

In the year 1936-37 President Schlosser was instrumental in establishing a chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha at Elizabethtown College, but with the lapse of interest in debating the chapter became inactive. Professor Riley in 1968 revived interest in this honorary debating society and the College again became an active member. The first four members of the rejuvenated society are: Paul E. Dick, Linda K. Hoch, Joel O. Sechrist, and Jobie E. Riley, sponsor.

Past Governor James M. Duff of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania instituted in 1961 a cash prize of twenty-five dollars to the most valuable debater at Elizabethtown College.

### College Library

Elizabethtown College had a library from its very beginning in a case of books in the recitation room in the house used by the College on Washington Street. The collection consisted of donations of miscellaneous books by friends of the new institution. When the College moved to its next home in Alpha Hall, it occupied a portion of the old bookstore. The person in charge of the bookstore also served as librarian. There was no opportunity for reading and study in this room. In 1904 the location was changed to the southwest corner of Alpha Hall, but in October, 1905, it was moved to the original chapel of the College on the south side of Alpha Hall. When Rider Hall was erected in 1905-1906, a large room was planned for a library and study hall. As the College grew and the collection of books increased, additional rooms adjoining the new facilities were used for shelving new books and bound periodicals. By the year 1945 the accessions to the library numbered nearly fifteen thousand volumes.

The first table lists the total accessions to the library.

*Table I*

September 1, 1901	87
September 1, 1905	537
September 1, 1910	1,678
September 1, 1915	2,968
September 1, 1920	3,700
September 1, 1925	5,472
September 1, 1930	7,425
September 1, 1935	9,671
September 1, 1940	12,120
September 1, 1945	14,261

The second table shows the number of indexed periodicals.

*Table II*

September 1, 1901	5
September 1, 1905	5
September 1, 1910	10
September 1, 1915	12
September 1, 1920	12
September 1, 1925	29
September 1, 1930	33
September 1, 1935	40
September 1, 1940	65

The third table represents the circulation of books.

*Table III*

1900-1901	75
1904-1905	250
1909-1910	615
1914-1915	860
1919-1920	1,375
1924-1925	2,618
1929-1930	2,712
1934-1935	3,779
1939-1940	3,412
1944-1945	2,560
1950-1951	12,143

Elizabethtown College was empowered to grant degrees on December 19, 1921, and consequently instruction of collegiate grade was emphasized. This called for more reference works, books that supplemented instead of substituting materials of a text book nature. For this reason the library budget, the accessions, and the circulation of books showed substantial increases by the year 1924-1925.

Anna M. Carper, librarian since 1960, in a recent report on the activities in the library set forth the following comparative statistics on the growth of the library.

	1959-1960	1964-1965	1969-1970
Student Enrollment	677	1,175	1,505
Volumes	27,715	39,210	83,830
Records	21	3	2,661
Periodicals	250	579	872
Expenditures for Library			
Materials	\$10,108	\$25,887	\$69,956
Attendance	59,257	51,756	105,848
Circulation	14,701	28,832	48,074
Staff	1959-1960	1964-1965	1969-1970
Professional	1.75	2.5	4
Non-professional	2	5	7

The library from the beginning of the College showed a gradual growth in the number of indexed periodicals found on its shelves. The following complete files of bound periodicals were available as early as 1940:

- The American Scholar
- The Atlantic Monthly
- The Educational Review
- Harper's
- The Journal of Higher Education
- Research Bulletin of N. E. A.
- Scribners, January 1887 to date
- World's Work
- The Yale Review

The following periodical indexes were added during the course of the first forty years of the College:

The Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature

Poole's Index to Periodical Literature

The individuals in charge of the library from the beginning of the College to 1920 were students. The list follows:

Lydia M. Buckwalter	1904-1905
Charles Bower	1905-1906
Ruth C. Stayer	1906-1907
L. D. Rose	1907-1911
B. F. Waltz	1911-1913
C. J. Rose	1913-1916
H. D. Moyer	1916-1917
J. F. Graham	1917-1919
Supera Martz	1919-1920
Floy Crouthamel	1920-1921
L. D. Rose	1921-1940
Florence Becker	1940-1941
Isabel W. McCurdy	1941-1948
Alice Sylvester Heilman	1948-1959
Emily C. Rahter	1959-1960
Anna M. Carper	1960-present

The rapid growth in the accessions to the library in books and periodicals during the last decade reflects the professional level of the Faculty, the academic level of the student body, and the efficient operation of the library by Anna M. Carper and her staff of assistants. Miss Carper was graduated from Elizabethtown College with the A. B. degree in 1941 and from Columbia University with the M. S. degree in 1951. She was also a graduate student at the University of Pennsylvania.

At present writing the staff consists of four persons with professional training in the field of library science and seven additional assistants in departmental work in the library.

With a modern building housing a collection of nearly 84,000 volumes, commodious reading rooms, air conditioning, carpeted rooms and excellent lighting, Elizabethtown College possesses one of the best environments for study and research.

## Brethren Heritage Room

A report from the Board of Trustees to the District Meetings of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania in 1949 stated that

Room should be set aside in the new library for a Brethren Historical Records Room, that it was hoped this room would become a place of great interest to the Church of the Brethren and that valuable records of individual congregations and of district boards could be deposited there.

The churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania were asked to employ a District Historian who was to give one to two days of each week for a period of five years beginning January 1, 1950. His duties were defined:

1. To assemble and catalog historically significant books, minutes, pictures, church records, and any other material pertaining to the church.
2. To store, file, catalog, and exhibit any such material as will have value for the future in the Brethren Historical Records Room.
3. To work under the direction of the Board of Trustees of the College.
4. To confer with elders of the different churches and individuals about the preservation of records pertaining to their respective congregations.

It was further decided that the churches of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania should be encouraged to deposit with the District Historian for safe keeping in the fireproof Brethren Historical Records Room any records, old minute books, et cetera, no longer currently needed. It was of course to be understood that any such material was to remain the property of the individual congregations and could be examined whenever needed or called for at any time.

In a report to the President of the College, Professor L. D. Rose, the District Historian, relates the beginnings of this Historical Records Room:

During the year 1906-1907 Elder Christian Bucher donated several volumes of the Gospel Visitor to the Library. A few years later Elder J. H. Longenecker and A. S. Kreider donated a complete file of the Brethren Almanac, now the Brethren Yearbook, and also a complete file of the Christian Companion and Gospel Messenger; the former

furnished the materials and the latter paid the costs of binding them. This marked the beginning of the Brethren Historical Library.

Over the years Brethren historical materials have been added until a sizeable collection has been assembled. The Historical Records Room in the Zug Memorial Library provides greatly improved quarters to house Brethren materials and make them available for research.

The Historical Library possesses the following notable holdings: a complete file of the Sauer Bible; a complete file of Brethren District histories; a complete file of the Missionary Visitor, except the May 1896 number; a complete file of the District Meeting Minutes of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania; and most of the Annual Conference Minutes.

This Historical Records Room was given a new name in the light of a donation by William W. and W. Ivan Leiter designed to perpetuate the historical interest in the Church of the Brethren. In loving remembrance of Ollie B. Leiter the room was renamed *The Leiter Memorial Brethren Heritage Room*.

Professor E. G. Meyer, the late Director of this Heritage Room, was most diligent in cataloging historical materials after his retirement from the Music Department of the College. Without his assistance in furnishing original sources in the files of the beginnings of Elizabethtown College, this *History of Elizabethtown College* would indeed be much less complete.

The oldest books in the Historical Library are two volumes of the writings of Paracelsus in German. The books were printed in 1616 and 1618 and are possibly the oldest printed works in the entire collection in the College library. The books belonged to Dr. Samuel Wiest, the great-grandfather of the writer of this *History of Elizabethtown College*, who donated them to the College.

The Heritage Room also contains the original charter of the College; a complete file of the College newspaper beginning with the 1904 edition of *Our College Times* and all the editions of the *Etownian*; a complete file of the *Etonian* and *Conestogian Yearbooks*, numerous books from the Sauer Press in Germantown and from the Ephrata Colonial Press, books by Brethren writers, programs of College events from the beginning of the College, alumni records, a complete file of the College Catalogs, the enlarged photographs of the Presidents of the College and of the Chairmen of the Board of Trustees, classroom schedules from the beginning of the institution,

love feast equipment donated by churches, early church hymnals, student handbooks, and many letters by early Brethren relative to the College.

### Schlosser Recognition Luncheon

The *Conestogan* of 1963 contains an account of the Recognition Luncheon for Ralph W. Schlosser and his wife at the Church of the Brethren on Alumni Day, June 2, 1962. This publication states:

Alumni Day, 1962, witnessed, among other noteworthy events, the honorary recognition of one of Elizabethtown's most diligent, devoted, and indefatigable faculty personalities, Ralph W. Schlosser. A vital, active member of the College, the professor has been associated with Elizabethtown College since 1905 when he first trod the halls of Alpha as a student. R. W. Schlosser was a firsthand observer of the tremulous changes that transpired as Elizabethtown College emerged from a one-building, activity-less, conservative shell into its ever developing state.

For a period of twelve and one-half years he was President of the institution; however, his heart remained true to teaching, and the completion of his work witnessed the return of the pedagogue to his preferred profession. The welfare of the students always a major concern, Dr. Schlosser, an English instructor with a fondness for Shakespeare, indicated his opinion of a liberal education as being one which necessitates idea-diverse professors as well as varied courses.

The College owes much to this man of many merits, who received his most deserved President Emeritus title during the 1962 return of the Alumni.

At this luncheon I. Wayne Keller presented him with an album of over two hundred testimonials from former students, alumni and friends. Mrs. Schlosser was also honored with an Alumni Chair for her faithful support of her husband in his many years of labors that caused the chores of the home to devolve upon her. It was at this meeting that the Board of Trustees conferred the title of President Emeritus upon him.

A further tribute to the work of Past President Schlosser at Elizabethtown College by C. G. Enterline, former Secretary of the Alumni Association, is found in the *Etownian* for June, 1962:

On June 2, Alumni Day, friends honored R. W. Schlosser and his wife at a luncheon. Tangible evidence of appreciation of their years of work, instruction, sacrifice, and service was shown in orchid, Alumni chair, book of memoirs, professional citation, and portrait.

Words of praise hailed R. W. Schlosser as a teacher, parent, professor, President, and Christian statesman. Frequent reference was made to the work of R. W. Schlosser and his wife during the "lean years" of the College. Not only was praise evident at this honors luncheon, but also a depth of sincerity, a togetherness, a warmth of fellowship which suggested reverence and respect.

The *Conestogan* for 1965, dedicated to R. W. Schlosser, characterizes his work at the College:

He has dedicated his life and talents to helping youth prepare academically and spiritually for life. In fulfilling this purpose, his brilliance will never cease but continue to illuminate the lives and hopes of students in their pursuit of knowledge. . . .

His lectures are not mere academic tools but reflections of his philosophies and ideals. . . . Students of diverse academic majors are all welcome in his classes and will gain a particular appreciation for his subject and accompanying lectures.

For his contributions given unreservedly and unselfishly in guidance, motivation, intellectual stimulation, and appreciation of knowledge, we dedicate this *Yearbook* to Ralph W. Schlosser, the recipient of the 1965 *Conestogan's* Gold Star for his services above and beyond the call of duty to the College and the community.

### **Resignation of President Roy E. McAuley**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees received the resignation of President Roy E. McAuley on April 25, 1966, to become effective on August 31, 1966. The Executive Committee and chairmen of other committees of the Board of Trustees went into executive session and passed the following for action by the Board of Trustees:

1. That President McAuley's resignation be accepted with regret.
2. That President McAuley's request for a one year sabbatical be granted.
3. That a resolution regarding the resignation of President McAuley be drawn up and presented to the meeting of the Board in April 30, 1966.

This resolution containing a tribute to the outstanding work of President Roy E. McAuley is here appended:

*Whereas* Roy E. McAuley has for a period of four and one half years served as President of Elizabethtown College with great credit, not only to himself, but also to the College, to the community, and to the cause of higher education in a geographic area which extends far beyond the boundaries of our own state,

*And, Whereas*, prior to assuming the presidency of the College, he served with eminent distinction as Dean of the College during the last five years of the term of the late President A. C. Baugher,

*And, Whereas* Elizabethtown College has during the ten years of service of President McAuley, more than doubled in size so far as enrollment, physical assets, and campus area are concerned, and has in many areas grown in public esteem so that the College enjoys a greatly enhanced reputation as an excellent institution of higher education in Eastern Pennsylvania.

*And, Whereas* President McAuley has, after what appeared to the Board to have been a considered deliberation on his part, and after a careful exercise of his own judgment and his expressed wish to retire to the calling of teaching, presented to the Board his resignation as President of the College, effective August 31, 1966.

*Now, Therefore*, Be it resolved that the Board expresses to President McAuley its unstinted appreciation for his ten years of very eminent service to Elizabethtown College both as Dean and as President, and that it expresses to him by this resolution sincere regret that his services to the College are about to be terminated, at least so far as being an active member of the staff is concerned, and that it accept this resignation at the time requested by President McAuley.

*Be It Further Resolved* that the Board grant to President McAuley severance pay equivalent to the amount of the sabbatical leave to which he would have been entitled at the end of seven years of service and which was not taken by him at that time, the financial benefits accruing under such grant to be based upon his salary for the year 1966-1967, and without any obligation on his part to return any service to the College by reason of granting of the said payment.

In commenting on his work as President of Elizabethtown College, the *Etowanian* of May 20, 1966, states his accomplishments in several areas:

*First*, Elizabethtown College has become a demand institution; more

students seek admission each year. "The result," the President said, "is an excellent body of serious students."

*Second*, the College has a young and aggressive Faculty. The President added, "They are concerned not only with teaching but also with their own education."

*Third*, in the five years that President McAuley has served, Elizabethtown College has always stayed within its budget.

*Fourth*, the first phase of the Pathway to Fulfillment has been successfully concluded.

When questioned regarding the reason for resigning his post, President McAuley stated:

*First*, In any administrative position a time is reached when a President has done all he can do. He should then move out and let a man come who has fresh ideas.

*Second*, I feel that teaching English is one area where you get to know students well on the creative, personal, and emotional levels. You are then dealing with the fundamental creative areas of students.

In this same interview recorded in the *Etownian*, President McAuley concluded:

The ten years at Elizabethtown College have been among the most exciting of my life. I feel I have gained much more from this experience than I have been able to return.

The Editor of the *Etownian* stated the following on May 20, 1966, relative to the outstanding work of President McAuley:

In President McAuley's five years as President of the College he has made impressive strides in both the physical and academic aspects of the College. The face lifting of the College owes much to his efforts and encouragement.

Among the construction completed during his presidency are the A. C. Baugher Student Center, the enlargement of the Zug Memorial Library, the Brinser Residence for Men, enlarged dining room facilities, and new athletic fields. A women's dormitory and a classroom building are now under construction.

We commend President McAuley on his achievements and are sorry to see him leave Elizabethtown. We extend to him our sincere best wishes in his future plans.

## In Memoriam

*Daniel C. Reber, 1872-1962*

The first three presidents of Elizabethtown College reached the age of ninety years: I. N. H. Beahm, 91; G. N. Falkenstein, 90; and D. C. Reber, 90. Six of the past presidents of the College could speak the Pennsylvania German dialect fluently.

Daniel Conrad Reber was born near Bernville, Berks County, on February 20, 1872. His early years were spent on the farm, and for three years he attended a select school. A student canvasser from Juniata College helped him to decide on entering that institution. On his arrival at the Pennsylvania Railroad Station in Huntingdon no taxi service was available and consequently he shouldered his round topped trunk and started for the College nearly a mile away. But he met a young person who saw his predicament and helped him to carry his trunk to the college dormitory.

In a short time he became very homesick and returned to the farm but again enrolled at Juniata College the next fall term. He completed several courses of study and was the first student to receive an A. B. degree from Juniata College. His roommate, Charles C. Ellis, was the second one to receive the A. B. degree from Juniata College.

For a period of three years he served on the Faculty of his Alma Mater. After his marriage he and his wife moved to the top flat of the Brooklyn Church of the Brethren where they lived until the completion of his graduate work at New York University. The degree Doctor of Pedagogy was conferred upon him in 1902.

While he was at New York University he was called to the ministry in the Church of the Brethren. On his return to the farm after his graduation from New York University he and his wife organized a Sunday School in the Maiden Creek Church of the Brethren in Berks County.

When the call to the Faculty of Elizabethtown College came to him, he was advised by the university officials not to accept a position in an infant institution, but he decided to teach in a Christian college and rear his family in a home which he built on the edge of the college campus. *The History of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915-1965*, notes regarding this home life:

There were no telephone bills, no garage bills, as the home had no telephone and no family car. The living was plain, but the friendships were warm, and the enthusiasm for fine books, good concerts, stirring lectures, even a Chautauqua experience were vital things.

. . . Seven o'clock in the morning was the usual hour of his departure for the campus across the street, and often the ten o'clock retiring bell for students rang before the lights in his office were turned out.

In 1918 the family moved to Manchester College, Indiana. In this environment he served as Professor of Languages and Mathematics. The last twenty years of his obligatory retirement he was active in the Sunday School and the choir of the North Manchester Church of the Brethren. He also tutored students privately and attended the lectures, the concerts, and the daily chapel services as was his custom, to the end of his life.

D. C. Reber was one of the committee appointed to prepare a *History of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania* which was published in 1915. Elizabethtown College conferred the honorary degree Doctor of Humane Letters (L. H. D.) upon him in June, 1957. After the death of his life companion, he continued to live in his home in North Manchester by himself.

The worthy tributes to his work at Elizabethtown College from the Board of Trustees, the Faculty and student body, and the Alumni Association of the College are to be found in the chapter of this book dealing with the Reber Administration. His death took place on July 10, 1962.

### Lewis Day Rose, 1884-1962

Special recognition is due to Professor L. D. Rose who gave most of his life to the advancement of the cause of Christian education at Elizabethtown College. He was born in 1884 near Rummel, Pennsylvania, in the heart of the coal regions of western Pennsylvania. His name appears first in the register of students in the junior year of the College Preparatory Course for 1905-1906. He completed this course the following year, and in 1911 he and the writer of this *History of Elizabethtown College* received the first baccalaureate degrees given by the College. For a number of years he taught in the public schools of Cambria County. During this time he was ordained to the ministry in the Church of the Brethren in 1917.

By attending summer schools at Ursinus College prior to 1911, he was graduated with an A. B. degree from that institution in 1911. He was also a student at the Pennsylvania State College and the Pennsylvania School for Library Workers during the summers of 1917 and 1923 respectively. He was a member of the National Educational Association, the American Library Association, and the Pennsylvania Library Association.

L. D. Rose was the Librarian of the College from 1907 to 1911 and also from 1921 to 1940. In addition to his duties as Librarian he served as an instructor in German from 1908 to 1910 and became an Assistant Professor of German in 1929.

From 1928 to 1947 he was the Alumni Secretary of Elizabethtown College. He was selected as Director of the Brethren Historical Library of the College in 1931 and held that office until his resignation in 1956.

When Alpha Hall was the only building on the campus, the library was housed in the original bookstore, later moved to the room then occupied by the Dean, and in 1906 to Rider Memorial Hall.

On June 3, 1962, he was given a citation by the Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the College. This award recounts the positions he filled as Professor of German, Alumni Secretary, and Librarian. Hundreds of students in his German classes gained a proficiency in the use of the language that led to the organization of a German Club.

He performed a strenuous task in cataloging the books and periodicals of the library according to the Dewey Decimal System, thus enhancing the value of the contents of the library to the students and Faculty. His eccentricities served him well in his meticulous concern for details. His advanced training in this field of library science and his unassuming, yet unselfish devotion to his task contributed much to the academic atmosphere of the College, a characteristic felt to this day.

He was Alumni Secretary for nineteen years and was instrumental in organizing alumni chapters over a wide area. He also gave impetus to the organization of the Women's Auxiliary of Elizabethtown College as early as 1932.

The German citation awarded him in 1962 states in conclusion:

Wir freuen uns heute einen Mann zu ehren, der mehr als ein halbes Jahrhundert unermuedlichen Dienstes seinem Elizabethtown College gegeben hat.

After his retirement he lived in Elizabethtown on East Bainbridge Street, where he died on October 15, 1962.

### A. C. Baugher, 1893-1962

A. C. Baugher, President of Elizabethtown College, was born in the Baugher farm home in York County near Lineboro, Maryland, on September 8, 1893. His father was his public school teacher and the Moderator of the Black Rock Church of the Brethren. A. C. Baugher was the fourth child in a large family, most of whom became public school teachers and school administrators. On April 5, 1914, he enrolled as a student in Elizabethtown College and completed the Pedagogical Course in 1917. The following year the Black Rock Church elected him to the Christian ministry.

While completing his college course at Elizabethtown College, he was a hall proctor, Dean of Men, and an instructor in Chemistry. He was married to Ella Booz, a great granddaughter of the antiquarian Abraham H. Cassel, and they occupied an apartment in Fairview Hall.

In 1922 he was a member of the first college class to receive baccalaureate degrees after the College had received state accreditation.

The same year Franklin and Marshall College conferred the B. S. degree upon him, and in 1928 he received the M. S. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. By attending special sessions at New York University, he received the Ph. D. degree in 1937. The Board of Trustees of the College elected him to the presidency of the College upon the resignation of R. W. Schlosser in 1941, and he continued in office until his retirement on July 1, 1961. Franklin and Marshall College also conferred upon him the honorary degree LL.D. From 1928 to 1941 he was the academic Dean of Elizabethtown College.

President Baugher took a leading role in the general program of the Church of the Brethren. A committee he chaired published the *History of the Church of the Brethren in Eastern Pennsylvania, 1915 to 1965*. He was the Director and organizer of the Teachers for West Africa Program. He served a number of times on the Standing

Committee of the Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren, and as Reading Clerk, and a congregational delegate. The Conference elected him to the moderatorship of the Richmond Conference of 1957. For twenty-eight years he was a member of the General Brotherhood Board and for nineteen years a member of the Board of Trustees of Bethany Theological Seminary. From 1938 to 1962 he was also the Moderator of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren.

His death came very unexpectedly on November 2, 1962. He was stricken with a heart attack while working in his garden and was rushed to the Lancaster General Hospital where he died in the Intensive Care Unit.

Funeral services were held in the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren on Monday, November 5, 1962, and interment took place in Mount Tunnel Cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Nevin H. Zuck, pastor of the church, and assisted by President McAuley. In his eulogy Pastor Zuck said:

President Baugher led a rich, full life and was known for his friendliness, sense of humor and single minded devotion to the church and education.

Another tribute to his memory by the Board of Trustees appears in this *History of Elizabethtown College* in the chapter on the Baugher Administration.

#### *Joseph N. Cassel, 1877-1963*

Joseph N. Cassel was an honored, influential trustee of Elizabethtown College for a period of twenty-nine years and an Honorary Trustee the last six years of his life. He was born on August 23, 1877, one of fourteen children. At an early age he united with the Hatfield Church of the Brethren and for many years served that church as Sunday School Superintendent. With his family he lived on a farm at Fairview Village, Pennsylvania, until his retirement from farming in 1957. The Mingo Church of the Brethren elected him to the ministry in 1910, and several years later he was ordained. The church chose him to be their moderator, an office he held for twenty-seven years. He was a member of the Home Mission Board of Eastern Pennsylvania for eight years and a trustee of Elizabethtown College from 1928 to 1957. After he was designated as an

Honorary Trustee, he continued to be vitally connected with the program of the College until the time of his death. Over a period of fifty-three years he exercised in the free ministry of the church, preaching his last sermon only three weeks before his death, which took place on December 18, 1963.

This loyal trustee of the College was a man of strong convictions and contended earnestly for the preservation of the ideals of the founders of the College. He was a conservative but at the same time alert to situations that called for changes in the polity of the institution. He did not hesitate to stand alone on an issue when he felt Christian ethics was at stake. His idealism and manner of life so much impressed one of his close friends, Joseph C. Johnson, that the latter made a bequest to Elizabethtown College in the amount of \$45,000. The gift, by vote of the Board of Trustees, was added to the Jesse C. Ziegler Endowment Fund.

The Board of Trustees in their resolution to the family of Trustee Emeritus Joseph N. Cassel stated:

Brother Cassel gave selflessly and unstintingly of his time, substance, energy, and counsel in all areas of college enterprise.

His guidance and leadership will be greatly missed by his family, his friends, his church, and his College.

The Board of Trustees and Associates of Elizabethtown College express their deep and abiding appreciation of Brother Cassel's many years of love for and labor on behalf of the College.

We do well to honor such loyal benefactors of the College.





MORLEY J. MAYS  
*President of College, 1966-*

## CHAPTER NINE

# Administration of Morley J. Mays | 1966-

### Election of Morley J. Mays

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES received the resignation of President Roy E. McAuley on April 25, 1966, to become effective on August 31, 1966. On similar former occasions the Board selected a new President from the Faculty of the College, but on this occasion they sought a person for the presidency who had no former connection with Elizabethtown College. After a number of interviews with outstanding educators in the Church of the Brethren, the Board decided on July 11, 1966, to call Morley J. Mays to head the institution as its ninth President beginning his term on October 1, 1966.

President Mays received the A. B. degree, cum laude, from Juniata College in 1932; the A. M. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1936; and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Virginia in 1949. He was also honored at the University of Virginia with membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

At the University of Chicago he was an assistant in English; at Bridgewater College Associate Professor of English, Head of the Department of English, and assistant to the President. At Juniata College he was Professor of Philosophy and the first academic Dean of Juniata College, Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Acting President of the college for three brief periods.

In addition to these appointments, he had a notable background in community work. He served as an officer in public libraries in Harrisonburg, Virginia, and in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; as a director of the Union National Bank and Trust Company of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; and as chairman of the Huntingdon County Planning Commission.

He was the author of a number of publications dealing with philosophy, ethics, theology, and higher education. As a member and chairman of committees of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, he assisted in the evaluation of the academic programs of various institutions of higher education.

In the capacity of a churchman he served as the Secretary of the Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren, as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Bethany Theological Seminary, Oak Brook, Illinois, and as Moderator of the Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren in 1969.

He was married to the former Lucinda Miller, of Baltimore, Maryland, and they have two children: a daughter and a son.

Speaking for the Trustees of the College regarding the selection of Morley J. Mays, J. W. Kettering, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, stated:

The appointment of Morley J. Mays as our new President culminates what has been a diligent quest on the part of the Trustees with the help of an advisory committee representing the Faculty, the administration, the alumni, and the constituency of the Church of the Brethren of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees on July 11, 1966, President Mays set forth his version of the purpose and objectives of a college:

A college is a mixture of four ingredients: purpose, program, physical resources, and people. Of these the first is likely to get the least attention or the wrong attention. Actually I think it has a priority over the other three. It is only when a college knows its own identity, what it is trying to do, for what it exists, that it can expect to be successful in the other respects. The planning process should involve all segments of the college constituency.

I am eager to have our instructional Faculty become responsible for the academic planning and programming of the institution. It is only as there is debate, dialogue, and interaction that we can produce the

kind of planning and programming which I regard as essential to the future of Elizabethtown College.

In an editorial in the *Etownian* of September 15, 1967, President Mays states in unmistakable terms his philosophy of the "Acquisition of Knowledge":

Elizabethtown College does not exist to *give* anyone a college education. Elizabethtown College exists to provide students with an opportunity to *get* a college education.

These two statements probably are exaggerations. However, they do suggest the direction which education increasingly must take. For too long, educators have assumed that their purpose was to transmit knowledge. . . . It is much more important that the student develop certain powers which will enable him to fulfill himself for the rest of his life. Alfred Whitehead said, "A merely well-informed man is the most useless bore on God's earth." Rather, the student needs to learn how to think clearly, how to express himself lucidly and forcefully, and how to use his knowledge for constructive ends. . . . The experience which really will be authentic is that which comes when the student develops a genuine curiosity to know, when he relates what he learns to his own needs and aspirations, and when he goes beyond any prescribed duty of the classroom.

A letter to the Trustees on July 11, 1966, clearly sets forth President Mays' policies regarding the management of a college:

*First*, a recognition that the various parties to the operation of an educational institution—the trustees, the administration, the faculty, and the students—have specific roles to play.

*Second*, it is equally necessary that there come out of this diversity a high level of consensus.

*Third*, in making these observations, I have three things in particular in mind as implications of what I have been saying. First, the difference between the trustee body and the administration is the difference bewteen policy-making and the supervision of the day-by-day operations of the college. Second, it is generally understood that all of the administrative functions center in the President. The budget, for example, is *his* to take to the Trustees for approval and *his* to be faithfully followed by the financial officers of the institution. Finally, in the complex of parties to the operation of the College, I see the need for a strong, capable Faculty, able not only to conduct the instructional program, but able to engage creatively in academic policy making and program planning.

## Inauguration of President Morley J. Mays

On April 15, 1967, Morley J. Mays was inaugurated as the ninth president of Elizabethtown College in the auditorium of the Elizabethtown Area High School. A committee, headed by Galen C. Kilhefner, a member of the Board of Trustees of the College, prepared an elaborate ceremony for the occasion.

Approximately one hundred and fifty colleges, universities, and learned societies were invited to join in the colorful academic procession that is traditional for the inauguration of a college president. The oldest institution, the University of Paris founded in 1215, was represented by Elizabeth M. Garber by special permission of the university.

The newly designed official flag was used for the first time in the ceremony. President Mays received the silver medallion bearing the college seal. This medallion, crafted by Professor Robert G. Hostetter of Millersville State College, and worn by President Mays, will be used by him and succeeding presidents on ceremonial occasions.

Here follows the program for the inauguration of President Mays:

### Morning Service of Prayer in the Church of the Brethren

Paul M. Robinson, *Presiding*

*President of Bethany Theological Seminary*

### Program in the Elizabethtown Area High School

*Presiding Officer, Galen C. Kilhefner*

*Chairman of Inauguration Committee*

Invocation . . . . .	R. W. Schlosser <i>President Emeritus, Elizabethtown College</i>
Music . . . . .	College Brass Quartet
Charge to President Mays . . . . .	Horace E. Raffensperger <i>Secretary, Board of Trustees</i>
Investiture of President Mays . . . . .	Galen C. Kilhefner <i>Member, Board of Trustees</i>
Presentation of Medallion to President Mays	Horace E. Raffensperger

Music . . . . .	Elizabethtown College Choir Harry L. Simmers, <i>Director</i>
Address—"Much in Little" . . . . .	Ewald Nyquist <i>Deputy Commissioner,</i> <i>University of the State of New York</i>
Response . . . . .	President Morley J. Mays
Benediction . . . . .	R. W. Schlosser <i>President Emeritus</i>

In his address Ewald Nyquist remarked:

The future of Elizabethtown College is bright by any standard. It has aspirations, ideals, values, and a willingness to accept change. Stay small and think big.

In the response President Mays voiced his hope for the future of Elizabethtown College:

We look to the future now as a period of consolidation of our strength in a fresh understanding of our purposes, in revitalizing our program, and in the imaginative discovery of additional resources. We face gigantic problems, but I am sure we have the will and the insight to fulfill our destiny. Our success will be the measure of our determination and our wisdom.

The day's activities were concluded by the production of *Antigone* by the Sock and Buskin Club in the Student Alumni Auditorium.

### Appointment of Wayne L. Miller

Upon the resignation of Dean Jacob E. Hershman, a committee representing the Faculty, the administration, the alumni, and the Church of the Brethren of Eastern and Southern Pennsylvania began their quest for a successor in the deanship of the College. After a period of interviews the final selection of a Dean was made on January 9, 1967, by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of President Mays. The educator selected was Wayne L. Miller, a native of the state of Indiana. He was granted the following degrees: A. B., Manchester College, '48; M. S., Purdue University, '50; B. D., Bethany Theological Seminary, '54; and Ph.D., University of Southern California, '61.



WAYNE L. MILLER  
Dean of Instruction

He was Professor of Speech at Manchester College, 1949-52; Instructor in Speech at Los Angeles State College, 1960-61; a graduate assistant at Purdue University and at the University of Southern California. At the time of his call to be Dean at Elizabethtown College he was a member of the Administrative Committee and Chairman of the Department of Speech at McPherson College, Kansas.

As a pastor he served in the White Church, Southern Indiana; the Markle Church, Northern Indiana; the Lynn Haven Church, Arizona; the Dixon Church in Northern Illinois; and as assistant pastor in the South Pasadena Methodist Church. He was for a term a member of the Board of *Brethren Life and Thought*. Recently he published *Bishop G. Brownley Oxnam*, a treatise on the religious philosophy of this noted theologian. He was also a frequent contributor to *Messenger*, the official magazine of the Church of the Brethren.

He was married to Gwendolyn Studebaker, and they have four children.

On recommending Wayne L. Miller to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees on January 9, 1967, to be Dean of the Faculty for an initial period from July 1, 1967 to August 31, 1968, President Mays commented:

We feel that Wayne L. Miller has the high degree of educational insight we are seeking in the man who will be principally responsible

for directing the academic program. . . . I know him and find him to be sagacious in his approach to academic planning. He has a sound concept of what Christian higher education's objectives should be, and he has ideas on how these objectives may be realized.

In his response to this appointment the new Dean of the Faculty remarked:

I look forward to working with the Faculty in a co-operative approach to developing the academic program. I will seek Faculty involvement in all phases of academic planning.

On assuming his duties as Dean of the Faculty he sensed the need of a clearer statement of the purpose and objectives of the College. In a report from EPIC (Elizabethtown Plots Its Course) prepared by the EPIC Co-ordinating Committee, the views of the Dean are succinctly stated:

Elizabethtown's purpose was first stated by its founding fathers when they wrote into the original charter that their concern was for "such harmonious development of the physical, mental, and moral powers of both sexes as will best fit them for the duties of life and promote their spiritual interests." In a sense Elizabethtown College cannot depart from this basic commitment nor does it want to. EPIC, therefore, proposes the following statement of College purpose:

The purpose of Elizabethtown College is *personal*. Its program is intended to free the student of his limitations of experience and ignorance, and to broaden the span of his interests. It seeks to develop in him critical and constructive habits of thought, a desire and capacity to know, clear and coherent means of self-expression, and an understanding of the world about him, natural, social and cultural. . . .

In order to achieve these ends Elizabethtown College expects each member of the academic community to face the basic issues of his personhood, to be involved in a creative relationship with others in an academic community, and to pursue excellence in an atmosphere of responsible freedom. Within this context of general personal development Elizabethtown College expects each student to acquire the skills and knowledge of a specialization.

The College is *private*, its student body coeducational, its academic program undergraduate. Its facilities are open, without discrimination, to all students who seek an education of the quality and kind which will prepare them for service in a free and democratic society. It seeks

to offer this preparation in a setting of opportunity which will be exciting and challenging, exacting and rewarding.

### College Faculty

Over the past ten years the College has shown great growth in the addition of commodious buildings on the campus and in the enlargement of the campus itself. During the years of President Mays' administration thus far two monumental buildings have been erected in the Alumni Physical Education Center and the Living-Learning Center just completed and occupied by students. The next building to be erected is the Social Sciences Center during the next two years. Two of the older buildings, Alpha Hall and Rider Hall, have been transformed into new facilities for the staff and the Music Department respectively, and Fairview Hall will be changed from a dormitory into an office building for the humanities division.

But greater than these improvements in the physical plant is the growth of the Faculty not only in numbers but also in scholastic attainments that are commanding the respect of the student body. The science departments have greatly increased their offerings, and a new Art Department has sprung into being. A number of the Faculty have completed their work for the doctorate in connection with their teaching programs and others are in pursuit of the same goal. President Mays has given every encouragement to Faculty members to complete their graduate work. Several on sabbatical leave used the time in procuring the doctorate.

The following statistics show evidence of the growth of the Faculty both in numbers and in scholastic attainment.

#### *Faculty for 1966-67*

<i>Rank</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Doctors</i>
Professors	10	9
Associate Professors	21	6
Assistant Professors	36	1
Instructors	9	0
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	76	16

*Faculty for 1967-68*

Professors	8	8
Associate Professors	26	8
Assistant Professors	41	2
Instructors	29	2
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	104	20

*Faculty for 1969-70*

Professors	23	12
Associate Professors	31	10
Assistant Professors	49	7
Instructors	37	0
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	140	29

**Administrative Reordering**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees stated in the summer of 1970 that

Elizabethtown College, as is true of most church colleges, is presently at the point of decision. Two big jobs on behalf of the College must be done; one is careful, long range planning, and the other is finding more adequate means of support.

In order to implement the EPIC program dealing with planning for the future and with more financial support, the Board of Trustees reordered the administrative structure for the year 1970-1971 in order that President Mays could devote more time to long-range planning and fund raising. Thus he would be free from the day-to-day operations of the College and more responsibility would be placed on the four major administrators under him.

President Mays, however, would be available for consultation on general budget and staff decisions and new policy, but would concentrate his efforts on contacting foundations and other sources of financial support. Even though President Mays would be engaged in these new duties, Chairman Breidenstine of the Board made it clear that

he is still our President; in fact, only his work load has shifted.

The *Elizabethtown College Review* of September 1970 details the reordering of administrative assignments:

James L. M. Yeingst, Director of Public Relations, will assume additional duties as Executive Assistant to the President. . . . He will be responsible for many duties President Mays performed and will co-ordinate the work of the four major administrative areas. He will also serve as an immediate point of reference for problems that transcend normal administrative decision-making.

Mr. Yeingst, who joined the staff as Director of Public Relations in 1957, has degrees from Elizabethtown College and Pennsylvania State University.

### Board of Trustees

In 1936 J. W. Kettering was elected to the Board of Trustees and continued in this office until 1968, a period of thirty-two years. From 1943 to 1954 he served as Secretary of the Board and as Chairman of the Board from 1954 to 1968. In summarizing his association with the College he stated to the Board:

From 1918 to 1968 I was actually married to Elizabethtown College. . . . I accepted responsibility over a long span of years because I strongly believe in the purpose for which the College was founded.

Furthermore, it was my good fortune to labor with trustees of stature, a diversity of gifts, and a dedication to the College. I will always cherish this association, but I am especially grateful that we could always work together for the good of the College.

An Article of the by-laws of the College provides that:

Any Trustee who has been a member of the Board twenty-five years may elect to become an Honorary Trustee of the Board.

In accordance with this provision J. W. Kettering submitted his intention to the Board for appropriate action. He was unanimously elected an Honorary Trustee in December, 1968. The Board expressed their appreciation of his desire to continue to serve the institution with which he was closely associated many years.

At this same Board meeting held on December 12, 1968, which honored Mr. Kettering for his sacrificial devotion to the College, A. G. Breidenstine, a former member of the Faculty of the College, was elected as the sixth Chairman of the Board of Trustees. For this office he was adequately trained. He holds the following degrees:



AARON G. BREIDENSTINE  
*Chairman, Board of Trustees, 1968-*

B. S., Elizabethtown College; M. Ed. and Ed. D., Temple University; and the honorary degree, Litt. D., Elizabethtown College. He served as Professor of Education, Elizabethtown College; Dean, Hershey Junior College and of Franklin and Marshall College; and Dean of Academic Affairs, Millersville State College. He was also appointed Acting Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania during the years 1966-1968.

He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa and a life member of the National Educational Association. Since 1969 he is an Associate Member of the Board of Trustees of Messiah College. The Church of the Brethren has claimed his services as

Administrative Co-ordinator of Brethren Colleges Abroad, Member of the General Board of the Church of the Brethren; Moderator, General Conference of the Church of the Brethren 1969-1970; and Director of Bethany Theological Seminary.

In accepting the office of Chairman of the Board, A. G. Breidenstine stated:

I am pleased to note the structure of this institution. I have had a chance to see the institution from a somewhat outside perspective for

some time. As Mr. Kettering indicated, this institution is in excellent shape. You can be proud of your Faculty, plant, student body, and your record. All of this commends itself in the field of education. . . .

It is going to be somewhat difficult to chart the course for the next ten years, because I think institutions such as Elizabethtown College will not escape some of the great difficulties that are present in higher education. I am determined to do what I can, and I have some things in mind to do. I think there are some things in the future of this institution that will need to be worked out in the next decade.

I look with confidence to the future of Elizabethtown College. There is a remarkable future for private institutions such as Elizabethtown College if we work hard enough to forge our place in the scheme of American higher education.

We will not succeed by copying other institutions or by trying to be all things to all people. Uniqueness can be forged. It cannot be the singular dream of one person because the factors involved are too complex for that.

Rather, our uniqueness must be the product of a co-ordinated team effort involving trustees, Faculty, alumni, students, our church constituency, and others with an interest in our kind of college.

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES—1968

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Representation on the Board of Trustees is indicated as follows:

- (EP) Eastern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren;  
 (SP) Southern District of Pennsylvania of the Church of the Brethren;  
 (AA) Alumni Association. All others are nominees of the Board itself.

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*Term Expires 1971*

- Norman L. Bowers, Landisville, Pa.  
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## College Accreditation Reaffirmed

Elizabethtown College was first accredited by the Middle Atlantic Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in 1948. Membership in this Association requires a re-evaluation every ten years. In preparation for this re-evaluation, each department of instruction with the assistance of a consultant made a self-analysis of its program and tabulated its results in a written report.

The *Etownian* of December 1, 1967, reported

that on March 23-26, 1969, a visiting committee of ten educators from other institutions will come and evaluate the College. Their report to the Faculty, Administration, and Trustees in addition to the self-evaluation of the College will be the basis for the decision of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools on reaffirming accreditation of the College.

Upon the basis of the investigation of the College by this team, significant remarks were embodied in their report:

There is general agreement on the campus that, since the new President and Dean of the Faculty took office, the stated purpose of the College has become a blue print for action. There are many indications that extraordinary changes have been made during the last two-and-one-half years. . . .

The members of the Board of Trustees demonstrate a deep commitment to the College. The new Chairman brings strength and leadership to the Board. The College is fortunate to have a man with educational vision in this important position. . . .

Elizabethtown College can be justly proud of its library. Not only has the library, which is housed in a fine well-equipped building, nearly tripled in ten years, but the well co-ordinated staff has kept up with the work of cataloging and filing. . . .

It is not surprising that the team found the students to be the greatest resource of the College. . . . It seems clear that the role of the students in the present and future of this College will be a most significant one which they will be able to play more and more effectively as they are given more freedom in line with the statement of purpose. . . .

The team believes that a church-related college can maintain its identity while developing a community type of government with decision-making. . . .

The members of the team took away more than they brought to the campus.

The recommendations of the team can be summarized in three broad statements:

- There should be more delegation of authority and responsibility at every level. This is indispensable for the well being of the institution.
- A decision should be made concerning the essential nature of the College: liberal arts or professional. This decision should be implemented.
- A detailed ten-year projection should be formulated. In its formulation all segments of the academic community should be involved: Trustees, Administration, Church of the Brethren, Faculty, Students and Alumni. Together they *are* Elizabethtown College.

On December 5, 1969, President Mays received the following letter from Frank P. Pishor, Chairman of the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education:

President Morley J. Mays  
Elizabethtown College  
Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania  
Dear President Mays:

It is a real pleasure to advise you that following its review of the report prepared by the Evaluation Committee, the Commission has voted to reaffirm the accreditation of Elizabethtown College. This action reflects the confidence of your colleagues in the contribution you are making to higher education.

The Evaluation Report, which has already been transmitted to you, contains recommendations made by your colleagues. I am confident these recommendations will receive your careful consideration and appropriate implementation.

As a follow-up of these, the Commission would like to have you submit a copy of the long-range plan by the fall of 1971, or as soon as it is available.

The Commission, its Chairman and its Executive Secretary stand ready to assist Elizabethtown College in any appropriate way at any time.

With hearty congratulations.

*Sincerely yours,*  
FRANK P. PISHOR, *Chairman*

## Gifts to the College

The securing of financial support for the College is in charge of James L. M. Yeingst, Director of Development. On the field are Robert S. Young, Director of Special Gifts, and D. Kenneth Hollinger, Director of Church Relations. President Mays devoted some of his time during the first three years of his administration securing financial aid for the College and, as has been indicated, was relieved of some of the day-to-day matters on the campus for the year 1970-71 so that he might devote the major part of his time to the financial phase of administration and long range planning.

The team assigned to the procuring of gifts for the College has greatly advanced the financial support from alumni, trustees, foundations and the church. These men have given unstintingly of their time and energy in promoting the interests of the College, and as the accompanying table shows, are making steady progress in their assignments. Treasurer Earl H. Kurtz and Robert V. Hanle, Assistant to the President, have accomplished a great achievement in securing grants and loans from the Federal Government.

In 1959 the Annual Giving Fund of the Alumni Association was organized. James R. Hilton, Director of Alumni Relations, is in charge of this annual appeal to the Alumni. The response has been gratifying as a steady increase of gifts reveals in the annual giving reports. In 1967 the ninth A. G. F. totaled \$140,427, and by the twelfth A. G. F. the amount was \$470,289. Thus over a period of the past four years the total contributions more than trebled. Of greater significance is the fact that the number of givers rose from 209 in 1966-67 to 906 in 1969-70.

One of the latest gifts to the College was a grant of \$50,000 from the Richard King Mellon Foundation for the transformation of Fairview Hall into a humanities center.

On October 11, 1968, Wayne A. Nicarry and Mrs. Nicarry committed themselves to provide the sum of \$500,000 in support of Christian higher education at Elizabethtown College. Mr. Nicarry is a minister of the Gospel in the Greencastle Church of the Brethren and has been associated with several industrial firms in Pennsylvania and Indiana. This is the largest single gift received in the history of Elizabethtown College.

*Table of Gifts to the College*

	Fiscal Year 1967	1968	1969	1970
Alumni .....	\$ 6,665.00	\$ 21,735.06	\$ 22,510.59	\$ 28,361.62
Business and Industry .....	16,084.25	34,440.75	35,212.40	52,898.75
Church of Brethren .....	58,819.36	82,433.31	79,771.45	76,862.79
Foundations .....	39,848.41	41,718.76	39,167.37	81,747.13
Trustees & Friends .....	19,020.92	25,735.21	176,976.52	99,629.63
Deferred Gifts .....	90,197.54	6,225.76	24,633.36	136,630.12
Endowment .....	-----	100,000.00	-----	-----
	\$230,625.48	\$312,288.85	\$378,271.69	\$ 476,130.04
Ninth A. G. F. .....	140,427.94	173,402.21	365,924.69	470,289.54
Pathway to Fulfillment .....	112,591.04	32,660.88	12,347.00	5,840.50
Deferred Gifts .....	90,197.54	6,225.76	55,520.00	32,680.00
Endowment .....	-----	100,000.00	800.00	4,092.00
Total Gifts .....	\$343,216.52	\$312,288.85	\$434,591.69	\$ 512,902.04
Total A. G. F. and Pathway .....	253,018.98	206,063.09	378,271.69	476,130.04
Total Gifts .....	343,216.52	312,288.85	434,591.69	512,902.04
Gifts from Govt. ....	331,560.00	-----	448,516.49	898,317.94
Grand Total .....	\$674,776.52	\$674,776.52	\$833,108.18	\$1,411,219.94
Total Assets of College (1970) .....	.....	.....	\$14,204,080	.....
Total Liabilities .....	.....	.....	4,582,469	.....
Net .....	.....	.....	\$ 9,921,611	.....

## Elizabethtown College Review

The Office of Public Information desiring to acquaint the public with the College began issuing the *Elizabethtown College Review* for friends of the College in September, 1968. The publication aims to present current news concerning activities at the College, alumni news, and College projects. The *Review* is published eight months of the year and is proving to be a voice of the administration to the public.

## Campus Council Rejuvenated

In 1963 President McAuley realized the need of an organization that would provide a better channel of communication among the students, the Faculty and the administration. The result was the creation of a Campus Council, but the meetings were irregular, and none were called in 1965. At the urging of President McAuley the Campus Council again functioned during the last year of his presidency.

When President Mays assumed office, he stated in an article in the *Etounian* of November 18, 1966:

I am very eager to have this Council active. This gives me and other members of the administration an opportunity for ascertaining student opinions. Also I can share my problems and get counsel on these problems.

Representing the administration on the Council were:

Morley J. Mays, *President of the College*

O. F. Stambaugh, *then Acting Dean of the College*

Earl H. Kurtz, *Treasurer of the College*

Royal H. Snavely, *Dean of Men*

Vera R. Hackman, *Dean of Women*

Edward Crill, *Dean of Students*

James L. M. Yeingst, *Director of Development*

Representing the Faculty were:

Otis P. Kitchen, *Assistant Professor of Music*

Martha A. Eppley, *Assistant Professor of Business Administration*

Armon C. Snowden, *Associate Professor of Bible and Philosophy*

Jack L. Hedrick, *Assistant Professor of Chemistry*

Representing the students were:

Patricia Crisswell, *Chairman of the Committee on Women's Affairs*

Thomas Wetzel, *Chairman of the Committee on Men's Affairs*

#### Student Senate Officers

Richard Suter, *President*

Janet Eisenbise, *Vice President*

Gary Meminger, *Treasurer*

Joyce McConnell, *Secretary*

#### Student Senate Members

Dane Brandenburg, Judith Brown, Jeffrey Byrem, Peter Felman, Carl Herbein, Ray Hollinger, Gilbert Jackson, David Jarvie, Richard Nussey, Ralph Parrett, Jacqueline Roush, Carol Troxel

This Campus Council brought about the improvement of freshman orientation procedures, the creation of additional student lounges, and effective reactions to the academic program of the College.

In the main this type of student-faculty government was followed until the organization of a Campus Life Council consisting of nine members: three student Senators, three College administrators, and three members of the Faculty, all of whom had an equal vote in the Council.

The primary function of this Council was to serve as the decision-making group for all policy and programs involving student affairs beyond the classroom. This Council was responsible directly to President Mays who had the power of veto. He could return questions to the Council or pass them to the Board of Trustees for final action.

Officers were elected at the second meeting of this Campus Life Council. Faculty members representing the three instructional divisions of the curriculum were Eugene P. Clemens, Chairman of the Council; Jack L. Hedrick; and Owen L. Wright. Those representing the administration were: Jane Ikenberry, Dean of Women; Edward L. Crill, Dean of Students; and Royal E. Snavely, Dean of Men.

Gradually it became evident that increased student power called for wise decision-making. As a result the present system of Community Government was drawn up and adopted.

## Community Congress

The abolition of the Student Senate became a debated question at the beginning of 1969, and on March 17, 1969, a referendum of the student body revealed that 435 desired to keep the Senate and expand it; 146 voted to abolish it; 37 desired to keep it as it is. With this lack of unanimity Student Government was evidently on the brink of dissolution.

To remedy this situation so that students would have a greater voice in the government of the entire college program, an attempt was made by an *ad hoc* committee on Community Government to set forth the foundations of a new order on the campus. Three fundamental principles were involved:

*First*, decision-making in all areas should be made by representatives of all segments of the College Community.

*Second*, sharing of views and a frank exchange of information should prevail among all the members of the College Community.

*Third*, members of the College Community should have the right to be represented by persons of their choice in deciding policies affecting their life and education.

A petition was circulated in order to obtain support of a Community Government project and was signed by more than five hundred students. The petition asked that the President of the College call representatives of the Faculty, the administration, and the students to form a Constitutional Assembly commissioned to structure a Community Government for Elizabethtown College.

Forseeing a needed change in the administration of College policies, President Mays appointed John P. Ranck, Professor of Chemistry, Chairman of a committee to produce a Faculty constitution for the government of the Elizabethtown College community.

The *Etownian* of March 13, 1970, gives the complete text of the proposed constitution of the Community Congress. This constitution adopted by the Faculty, amended by the Faculty, and ratified by the Student Association, the Administration, and the Board of Trustees, is the means by which administrators, Faculty, and students of Elizabethtown College now exercise their responsibilities for academic, professional, and social policy making and planning.

All substantive actions and programs adopted within the frame-

work of this Constitution are subject to review and approval by the Board of Trustees as determined by the President.

The *Elizabethtown College Review* of April, 1970, states the implications of the action of the Board of Trustees taken on April 25, 1970:

The proposed constitution, which has been submitted (and adopted as amended by the Board of Trustees) to the Board of Trustees for consideration, creates a Community Congress which is responsible for making all major policy decisions.

The Community Congress incorporates legislative bodies now part of the Faculty Constitution, re-defines others such as the Student Senate, and gives administrative opportunity to operate as a separate entity on a par with Faculty and student bodies.

A total of 733 students voted in favor of the Constitution and 46 opposed it. Administrators voted 15 to 4 in favor, and the Faculty ratified it by a vote of 60 to 17 with two abstentions.

As proposed, the Community Congress will consist of four divisions—one from each academic area on the campus and a student division—and the administrator group. The humanities, social sciences, and natural science divisions, which include all departmental faculty in these respective areas, already function.

The Student Congress, to number between 35 and 40 persons, will replace the Student Senate. The Student Congress will be elected on a representative basis from residence and departmental units rather than at-large, as is now the case.

The administrator group, including all administrators so designated by the President, has the option to act as a division or remain apart from the normal legislative channels.

The Constitution will retain three councils incorporated in the old constitution—the Academic, the Personnel, and the Campus Life Councils.

The Campus Life Council, which deals with the extra-curricular aspects of the campus community and is now a student-faculty-administrator group, will include the Dean of Student Affairs, the Director of Counseling Services, the Director of Development and Public Relations, and one elected representative from the Administration. Additionally, Campus Life Council membership will include one representative from each Faculty division whose vote shall be combined into a single vote, and five representatives elected by the Student Congress.

Professor Ranck uttered the following prophecy:

The test of this Constitution and the government it authorizes will not be in any particular structure that it does or does not establish, but in the willingness of students, Faculty, and Administration to accept each other's concerns for conditions at Elizabethtown College as born out of institutional love and loyalty, and in their willingness to co-operate toward mutually acceptable solutions to our common problems.

Since the Constitution is too long for inclusion *in toto* in this History, a summary of the articles of the document is here given:

*Constitution of the Community Congress*

*Article I*—Membership in Congress consists of the Administration, the Faculty, and the Student Senate.

*Article II*—Responsibility of the Congress regarding the academic program.

*Article III*—The Division of the Congress

A. Constitution of Divisions

1. Faculty Divisions

Division I—Art, Modern Languages, English, Music, History, Religion, and Philosophy

Division II—Business, Political Science, Education, Sociology, Physical Education, and Health

Division III—Biology, Physics, Earth Science, Chemistry, Psychology, and Mathematics

2. The Student Senate—actually Division IV

B. Functions of the Divisions

1. Election of representatives to the Councils and the Community Congress

2. Changes in the curriculum

C. Officers

*Article IV*—The Councils

A. The Academic Council

B. The Personnel Council

C. The Campus Life Council

This article defines membership, functions, and eligibility of Council members

*Article V—Committees*

- A. Committees Responsible to the Academic Council
  - 1. Committee on Admissions, Academic Awards, and Financial Aid
  - 2. Library Committee
  - 3. Academic Occasions Committee
  - 4. Committee on Academic Standing
- B. Committees Responsible to the Personnel Council
  - 1. Professional Standards Committee
  - 2. Faculty Release Committee
- C. Committees Responsible to the Campus Life Council
  - 1. Cultural Events Committee
  - 2. Athletics Committee
  - 3. Special Events Committee
- D. Rules Committee—for interpretation of the Constitution
- E. Ad Hoc and Special Committees named by the President of the College or by the Divisions

*Article VI—Meetings of the Congress—deals with convening, dates, and agenda*

*Article VII—Elections and Appointments*

- A. Election of students to the Senate
- B. Election of representatives from presidential units to the Senate
- C. Election of representatives from the academic departments to the Senate
- D. Election of representatives from the Freshman Class to the Senate
- E. Election of representatives from the administration to the Personnel Council and to the Campus Life Council
- F. President's appointments to the Standing Committees and the Personnel Council

*Article VIII—Amendments*

This Constitution accepted by a two-thirds vote of the Faculty, a two-thirds vote of the Student Association, and a two-thirds vote of the Administration and ratified and authorized by the Board of Trustees replaces all existing governing documents and structures with which it is in conflict.

## EPIC—Elizabethtown Plots Its Course

President Mays entered upon his duties on October 1, 1966, and after taking office appointed a Committee to "review the purposes and the basic commitment of Elizabethtown College and to suggest the future direction of the College along the major lines of its further development." The committee appointed was to concern itself basically with the future decade of the College. This program named EPIC—Elizabethtown Plots Its Course—involved various groups of individuals and organizations interested in the potential of the future of Elizabethtown College. EPIC was not initiated for the purpose of ending the Pathway to Fulfillment Program of the preceding administration, but it did concern itself with some of the same areas.

Phase I of this EPIC Program was expected to cover a period of approximately one year and to gather pertinent information on the future of the College. As a guide for the Committee appointed, five major areas were listed for study:

*First*—Broad economic and social trends for the next ten years

*Second*—An internal view of the College and its future

*Third*—Relationship of the College with the Church of the Brethren

*Fourth*—A survey of the College and the area which it serves

I. WAYNE KELLER

*Chairman, EPIC Co-ordinating Committee*



*Fifth*—An Alumni evaluation of academic growth of non-academic matters, and their consensus of the broad objectives of the College.

I. Wayne Keller, Vice-President of the Armstrong Cork Company, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and a member of the Board of Trustees, was designated for the direction of this EPIC study and the formulation of a ten-year program of development. The Committee aimed to present a program of balanced growth of the College during the next decade.

This EPIC Co-ordinating Committee consisted of:

I. Wayne Keller, *Chairman*

Edgar T. Bitting, <i>Faculty</i>	Morley J. Mays, <i>President</i>
Edward L. Crill, <i>Dean of Students</i>	Wayne L. Miller, <i>Dean of Faculty</i>
Elmer Q. Gleim, <i>Church</i>	Donald L. Neiser, <i>Alumni</i>
Robert Y. Grosh, <i>Student</i>	H. E. Raffensperger, <i>Trustee</i>
J. W. Heisey, <i>Community</i>	J. Albert Seldomridge, <i>Alumni</i>
Clifford B. Huffman, <i>Church</i>	O. F. Stambaugh, <i>Faculty</i>
Joseph W. Kettering, <i>Trustee</i>	John M. Yancey, <i>Faculty</i>
Earl H. Kurtz, <i>Treasurer</i>	James L. M. Yeingst, <i>Director, Public Relations and Development</i>
	Robert E. Ziegler, <i>Assistant Dean of the Faculty</i>

Chairman Keller, convinced that expert advice was needed to provide an inclusive plan for the projected growth of the College, procured the help of Manning M. Patillo, Jr., Vice President of the Danforth Foundation. He met with the EPIC Co-ordinating Committee on April 5 and 6, 1967, to become acquainted with the College so that he could see its problems and assets. He made a second visit to the College on April 28, 1967, to confer with the Faculty and Trustees in greater detail on the EPIC program.

On this second visit Mr. Patillo, commenting on the future of Elizabethtown College, remarked:

In looking into the future of this College I present to you a question that needs much consideration. Why should Elizabethtown College be just the same as hundreds of other colleges across the nation? Why not establish some uniqueness and distinctiveness regarding the program of Elizabethtown College?

Mr. Patillo further suggested consideration of the following areas:

*First*—A program to train students for political service

*Second*—The avoidance of falling into the ruts of so many other church-related colleges

*Third*—Helping faculty members with graduate studies

*Fourth*—More careful selection in admission of students

*Fifth*—A reduction of teaching loads

Chairman Keller, convinced of the need for an inclusive plan for the projected growth of the College, stated to the Board of Trustees:

If private church-related colleges like Elizabethtown College are to realize their full potential and retain their cherished position in American higher education, we must plan effectively for the future. . . . Our academic program must be of unquestionable quality. But beyond this we must provide an atmosphere for learning which instils an appreciation for spiritual values and social order.

In a similar vein President Mays told the Board of Trustees:

I have a growing feeling that the Christian colleges of America, possibly through default, have not been sufficiently creative to find ways to make the Christian virtues influential in the lives of students. Perhaps Elizabethtown College can begin to search out creative ways to make the Christian witness more and more vital in its total educational enterprise.

Phase I of EPIC is delineated in detail in the Report of the EPIC Co-ordinating Committee on "The Development of Elizabethtown College Through the Next Decade" and was approved in substance by the Board of Trustees in April, 1968. And this program of planned development as reflected in the EPIC study is succinctly summarized in a brochure entitled "Toward Tomorrow at Elizabethtown College."

The preface to the brochure states:

The pattern for continuing progress is outlined in the report of EPIC—Phase I. This study projects a program of balanced growth and development with a reaffirmation of the traditional values of the College. . . . It is in fact a blueprint for the decade ahead, beginning with a restatement of purpose which sets the tone for the total plan of development. This statement—carefully conceived, prayerfully considered, and faithfully implemented—will provide the philosophical context for the unfolding of the EPIC program.

This program is committed to the purpose of the founding fathers of Elizabethtown College:

such harmonious development of the physical, mental, and moral powers of both sexes as will best fit them for the duties of life and promote their spiritual interests.

The brochure on "Toward Tomorrow," in summarizing the purpose and objectives of the College, further records:

The purpose of Elizabethtown College is personal, that is, to have a sense of values. . . . The College is private, its student body co-educational, its academic program undergraduate. Its facilities are open, without discrimination, to all students who seek an education of the quality and kind which will prepare them for service in a free and democratic society.

In keeping with its basic commitments, Elizabethtown College will pursue certain specific objectives:

- a. It will be a liberal arts college.
- b. It will be a religiously-orientated college.
- c. It will be a relatively small college.
- d. It will preserve individual identity and personal dignity among its students.
- e. It will serve a broad range of qualified students.

The student body, according to the EPIC study, will be regarded as central in all the planning and programming undertaken by Elizabethtown College. Academic competency will determine the admission of students; the College will also seek "a diversified, creative, and inquiring student body capable of meaningful participation in campus life." The study recommends a gradual increase in full-time students until the number reaches 1,750 by 1976-77.

The Faculty of the College is considered as educators "fostering personal maturity among students by working directly with them in the academic setting." The report of the Co-ordinating Committee regards the campus as an academic community composed of students, Faculty, and administrative officers functioning with mutual respect and understanding. While the College does not expect that the total Faculty be Christian or reflect any one point of view, it does expect that the goals and the purposes of the institution will be respected by all Faculty.

One of the immediate objectives of EPIC is a building for the social sciences. This building, at the time of writing this *History*, has been planned, blue prints made, and construction is to begin in 1971.

The College has now entered upon Phase II of the EPIC program. The report of the Co-ordinating Committee concludes:

The general course has been plotted. Pursuit of that course now becomes the principal challenge and objective of all who share an interest in a better Elizabethtown College.

EPIC—Phase II should involve all constituencies of the College in further dialogue and debate designed to implement the broad planning set forth in this report. . . .

### Transformation of Alpha Hall

The Board of Trustees on June 6, 1967, voted to transform Alpha Hall into an Administration Building. For a number of years the administrative offices of the College were scattered on and off campus. This situation hampered communication and dispatch in the affairs of the College. Changes had been made in the ground floor of Alpha Hall since the new dining hall was put into operation in Myer Hall, but with the growth of the student body the increased volume of correspondence and business transactions and the development of public relations, it seemed desirable to concentrate all these activities in one building. Consequently it was decided to transform the second and third floors of the building into private offices and suites of offices. The ground and first floor of Alpha Hall had been partially remodelled prior to the decision to alter the other floors of the building. The transformation called for the removing of all the inside stairways, the removal of all partitions, the redesigning of the floor space, and the erection of two brick fire-proof stairways on the rear of Alpha Hall. These stairways afford access to all the floors in the building.

The entire building was air conditioned and carpeted wall to wall. Lighting adapted to the needs of each room was also installed. The exterior of the building underwent little change, with the exception of the removal of the two old wooden steps on the front of Alpha Hall. A new well designed approach to the two front entrances was erected in place of the old steps.

The basement of Alpha Hall has a Data Processing Room at the east end of the building. The Business Office, including three private offices, is on the north side; the Registrar's Office, with a private office for the Registrar, is on the south side.

The first floor on the east end of Alpha Hall is devoted to the Office of Admissions; the lounge is on the south side; the President's office and his secretary's office on the west end; and the Dean's office on the north side of the building.

The second floor is the location of student personnel offices, a conference room, a room for the secretarial pool, the Treasurer's office, and private offices.

The third floor houses the development and public relations offices, the placement service, a secretarial pool, the alumni office, the offices of TWAP, and private offices.

With the inside stairways removed, dormitory rooms completely removed on two floors, and old hallways gone, the interior of Alpha Hall is unrecognizable to the graduates of the first fifty years of the existence of the College. But the transformation of this landmark has meant greater efficiency in the administration of the program of the College without crushing the nostalgic emotions of old alumni because of preserving the exterior appearance of their cherished Alpha Hall.

### Transformation of Rider Memorial Hall

With the steady growth of enrollment in the Music Department of the College, the Board of Trustees decided to use West Hall, on the corner of College Avenue and South Mount Joy Street, as the center of this activity on the campus. But this building soon proved to be inadequate, and the rooms in this structure were not arranged suitably for the various phases of the work offered by the Department.

With the erection of Esbenshade Hall, College classes reciting in Rider Hall were transferred to this new classroom building. As early as 1966 the Music Department was using a part of Rider Hall, but by 1968 Rider Hall was given over entirely to the Music Department.

The transformed building now houses on the ground floor a large

rehearsal room in what was the original gymnasium of the College. The remainder of the ground floor is used for an instrument equipment room, a storage room, and a classroom. The first floor contains eight offices for professors in the Music Department and a practice room with eight sound-proof booths for piano students. The second floor comprises a recital hall, which formerly was the College Chapel. This room contains the pipe organ. To the rear of this room is a large classroom. Two piano studios are also found on this floor. The third floor is not used by the Music Department, but does provide a classroom for another department of the College.

At present the Department of Music numbers seven full time professors and four on part time. With the expanded facilities provided, the Department offers two four-year courses, one leading to the B. S. degree in Music Education and the other to the A. B. degree in Music.

### Transformation of Fairview Hall

Because of unsatisfactory dormitory conditions in Fairview Hall and the pressing need for more adequate office space and related facilities, Faculty members, having offices in South Hall, a building secured from the United States Government, urged the President of the College to present to the Board of Trustees a request for more adequate office facilities. South Hall, originally used as a military dormitory, was the dormitory for a number of male students for several years at the College and later designated as an office center for a number of Faculty members in several fields of instruction. But the rooms were unsuitable for office purposes because of the small rooms and walls that were not sound proof.

The Board of Trustees discussed the request of the Faculty for better office facilities over a long period of time and on April 25, 1970, finally voted to reconstruct the interior of Fairview Hall to provide suitable offices for the Faculty housed in the army barracks.

The proposed plan is eventually to connect this new office building by a corridor with the Social Sciences Building that is about to be erected to the east of Fairview Hall. A grant from the Mellon Foundation makes possible this change of purpose in the use of Fairview Hall.

The same contractor who converted Alpha Hall into an Administration Building will also redesign Fairview Hall and work will begin about February 1, 1971. The ground floor of the building and the first floor will provide a lounge, offices, and seminar rooms for the English Department. The second floor will be assigned to the History Department, and the third floor will provide offices and a seminar room for the Department of Religion and Philosophy.

This building erected in 1920 has been a landmark on the campus of the College. In the transformation of the interior of Fairview Hall the outward appearance will be practically the same.

### Alumni Physical Education Center

Over a period of fifty years the Alumni of Elizabethtown College manifested a desire to provide adequate facilities for the program of physical education. In 1920, 276 Alumni participated in a campaign for funds to erect a gymnasium, and in 1926 the Alumni employed a fund raising agency to direct a campaign to secure additional funds for the building of this Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium at a maximum cost of \$37,000. To clear the remaining debt on this building the Alumni Council decided to appeal to the Alumni. The campaign resulted in cancelling the debt on the Student Alumni Gymnasium-Auditorium.

But the facilities of this gymnasium became inadequate with the increasing enrollment of the College. With the erection of the Baugher Student Center a remodelled gymnasium was encircled by the main structure of the Student Center. This gymnasium was also too small for the crowds attending games and for the physical education program. As a result pressure was brought to bear on the Board of Trustees for a large gymnasium with sufficient seating capacity for spectators of the games.

Consequently the Board of Trustees on December 28, 1966, voted to erect a Physical Education Center that would meet the needs of a body of fifteen hundred students. The College entered into an agreement with the architectural firm of Campbell, Rea, Hayes and Large of Altoona, Pennsylvania, and blueprints and architectural sketches were soon in the hands of the College administrators.



*Alumni Physical Education Center  
Dedicated, January 7, 1970*

The committee appointed by President Mays to work with the architects in details of the plans for the building were:

Robert D. Dolan, *Chairman*

Edward L. Crill, *Dean of Students*

Earl H. Kurtz, *College Treasurer*

Allegra H. Hess, John M. Tully, and Owen L. Wright—*Members of Physical Education Department*

Ground breaking ceremonies were held on September 13, 1968, on the site of the proposed building. Those participating in the program were:

Morley J. Mays, *President of the College*

Troy M. and Elsie Thompson, *donors of the Gymnasium Section of the Center*

Horace E. Raffensperger, *Secretary, Board of Trustees*

J. W. Kettering, *Chairman, Board of Trustees*

The hexagonal shaped building was erected to the rear of the Baugher Student Center and faces Esbensenhead Hall. The structure covers over an acre of ground with ample parking spaces around it. The gymnasium section, the gift of Troy M. and Elsie Thompson of

Elizabethtown, contains a large playing floor with the two folding bleachers seating thirty-three hundred spectators. When the bleachers are folded the floor has ample space for three basketball courts. Around the gymnasium are: a badminton court, a volleyball court, physical education classrooms, three handball courts, locker rooms, a wrestling room, a laundry, training rooms, a remedial gymnasium, ten private offices, a public lobby, and storage rooms. The building connects with the Baugher Student Center containing the swimming pool and bowling alley.

The building was erected at a cost of \$1,316,000 and was financed by proceeds from the Pathway to Fulfillment program, from a Federal grant and loan, from Alumni funds, and other sources. Looking forward to the erection of this structure the Alumni had been soliciting funds through the Alumni Annual Giving Fund. They also voted to give the amount of their loan to the College, which loan amounted to \$54,640, toward the erection of the Alumni Physical Education Center.

The building operations were begun by Samuel E. Long, Inc., of Lancaster the spring of 1968 and completed in the fall of 1969. The dedication services were held in the gymnasium section on January 7, 1970. Following the introduction of individuals directly connected with the erection of the building, John H. Speidel, President of the Alumni Association, officially named this most outstanding edifice on the campus

#### *The Alumni Physical Education Center*

The litany of dedication was directed by President Morley J. Mays who also offered the dedicatory prayer. The exercises closed with the Alma Mater.

#### **Living Learning Center**

The growth in the enrollment of the College, the discontinuance of Fairview Hall as a dormitory, and the disuse of other college properties in Elizabethtown as dormitories called for the erection of another residence hall on the campus. In accordance with a new concept in dormitory design and usage that makes provision for instruction areas as well as living space, the Board of Trustees in October, 1969, voted to proceed with the construction of four wings

of the new co-ordinated residence hall. This residence for students was erected facing the Physical Education Center and Lake Placida. The structure was designed by Campbell, Rea, Hayes and Large of Altoona and built by Samuel E. Long, Inc., of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The cost of the two 76-student wings and the two 88-student wings together with a commodius central lounge was approximately \$2,299,000. The erection of the building was financed by Federal and private funds.

The building is designed so that students can live in small groups of sixteen and be taught inter-disciplinary courses in the individual living areas. This plan embodies the new "living-learning" approach



*Living Learning Center*

to college education. According to a statement by Wayne L. Miller, Dean of the College:

The approach would emphasize the common learning experiences inherent in small group relationships. Students would spend half their time in block education with a single professor and take other courses in tradition classroom settings.

To accommodate the new concept there is a seminar room in each sixteen-student area and two sixteen-student areas on each of the top two floors in the four wings. The first floor of each wing has a traditional room arrangement. Current plans are to house women in two wings and men in the two other wings. The new residence will

have four wings accommodating 328 men and women students in separate areas linked by a core unit.

Gordon Bateman, Director of Housing, in an article in the *Etowanian* of September 18, 1970, set forth the advantages of this "living-learning" concept:

Men and women living in the same complex will break down the old tradition of men on one end of the campus and women on the other. They will be living informally together and will get to know each other better.

Students are going to be more independent. The set-up will be more like apartment living. The women will be completely responsible for their suite and are expected to take proper care of it.



*Social Sciences Building  
(Architect's sketch)*

The "living-learning" concept will not mature this year as the classroom will not be in use.

The first two wings to be completed were occupied by women in September, 1970, and in the second semester beginning January, 1971, a third wing was occupied by women and the fourth wing by men chiefly drawn from Fairview Hall which was closed as a dormitory. Thus the new building is for the present a "strictly residence hall," according to Dean Wayne Miller.

### **Social Sciences Building**

At a meeting of the Lancaster Rotary Club in December, 1970, President Mays announced plans approved by the Board of Trustees

on October 31, 1970, for a new Social Sciences Building, including a Center for Business Studies. The *Elizabethtown Chronicle* for December 24, 1970, reporting an account of President Mays' address states:

President Mays said the two-story structure will cost approximately two million dollars. It will include academic facilities for the departments of education, sociology, political science and business. The first floor will be the center for business studies. Construction is expected to begin sometime in 1971.

He pointed out that such a building was needed for some time in which adequate facilities for our majors in business administration, accounting, and economics would be provided. He also stated that approximately twenty-five percent of the students at Elizabethtown College are majoring in those fields.

A special capital gifts fund raising campaign will be initiated early in 1971 to underwrite the cost of the new structure which will be situated along College Avenue to the west of Esbenshade Hall and connected by a corridor with the Fairview Faculty Office Building.

### Black Student Demands

On May 5, 1970, approximately twenty-five students led by David Jackson, Chairman of the Students' Human Relations Committee, presented to Dean Wayne Miller a list of eighteen demands compiled by black students. The Dean met them the following morning but stated that any opinion regarding the demands should come from the President who was absent from the campus when the demands were presented.

On May 21 President Mays responded to the eighteen signers (of whom eleven were white students) of these demands by rejecting five of the demands involving financial aid and the removal of personnel from the administration. He did, however, agree to negotiating with them on the other thirteen demands by referring them to appropriate committees and offices for attention. Said President Mays in an article in the *Elizabethtown College Review* of June, 1970:

The College cannot entertain matters presented under the veil of threat, either implicit or explicit. The College recognizes the right of petition for the purpose of expressing a request or point of view. My response to the signers of the petition is based upon five principles:

- that the College is dedicated to educational opportunity for disadvantaged students within its capability;
- that the College must follow established procedures for dealing with problems and routine affairs;
- that the College cannot jeopardize its fiscal stability;
- that the College is committed to maintaining its current academic standards;
- that the College cannot accept items which by-pass normal administrative procedures.

During the course of the negotiations some of the demands were qualified and alternate suggestions were made in an attempt to deal with student concerns. Five of the black students out of a total enrollment of thirteen were granted scholarships for the academic year 1970-1971.

Regarding the position of the College on enrolling black students, President Mays stated in his letter to the signers of the demands:

Elizabethtown College traditionally and in its current policies has been and is opposed to any manifestation of racism, either through ignorance or design. The College stands ready and eager to work in any practical and constructive way with those students who are interested in promoting greater understanding and acceptance among races.

The Department of Philosophy and Religion, in its desire to share in the black man's fight for human dignity, donated to a Faculty-sponsored Black Scholarship Program a five hundred dollar teaching award the department received in 1970. A total of nineteen Elizabethtown College Faculty members have pledged two hundred dollars a year for four years to underwrite this fund. Stanley T. Sutphin, Professor of Religion and Philosophy, who is the informal chairman of the program, stated in the November, 1970, issue of the *Elizabethtown College Review*:

The fourteen thousand dollars represented by these contributions over a four-year period will not cover the full costs for two students, but I hope for contributions from additional Faculty members, alumni, and friends of the College.

The gift of the Department of Philosophy and Religion is a "token" of the concern of department members who desired to share in the black man's fight for dignity. It was prompted by a conviction that one of the most destructive diseases in our society today is racism and that

the most obvious manifestation of this racism is the struggle of the black man to attain power, status, equality, and justice as a fellow human being.

## Chapel Services and Convocations

From the beginning of Elizabethtown College until 1948 attendance at College Chapel services was required each day of the instructional program, but in the course of time the number of Chapel services a week was reduced. The Catalog of 1960-1961 specifies:

All students are required to attend Chapel services, where through the singing of the great hymns of the church, the reading of the Scriptures and the lifting of hearts in prayer, students may learn to practice more fully the art of meditation and prayer so that they will form the habit of personal daily devotions and will practice it after they leave the College.

The Catalogs from 1963 to 1966 record:

Students are also required to attend one non-sectarian chapel service per week, wherein outstanding ministers and laymen of various denominations speak.

The Catalog of 1966-1968 contains this regulation:

Religious-academic requirements of the College are compulsory weekly attendance at chapel services and required Bible and philosophy courses.

The purpose of chapel is to provide a weekly worship service for the College community and to broaden and deepen the students' knowledge of the contemporary religious scene.

As early as 1967 the students evinced a desire for a change in the chapel policy. They requested: required attendance at fewer chapel services; a change of name from chapels to assemblies; more cuts in chapel attendance; and a voluntary worship service—worship that is compulsory is no longer worship.

In February, 1968, President Mays announced that a series of convocation programs would be initiated in the fall of the year and that attendance at weekly chapel services would be on a voluntary basis. Students, however, would be required to attend a specified number of convocation programs each semester. Chapel services

would be of such a nature as to yield a true worship experience for students and Faculty. To give students an opportunity to become more familiar with contemporary religious issues many of the speakers appearing in the convocation series would be concerned with a variety of topics relating to the Christian faith.

This plan presented by President Mays had been given general approval by the Board of Trustees. Consequently a weekly chapel service was instituted and held in the Church of the Brethren. The convocations were held in the Auditorium of the Baugher Student Center. One convocation a week was provided during both semesters and the Summer Sessions. Each student was given one convocation credit for each semester in which he attended convocations at least ten times. In order to graduate from Elizabethtown College, a student needed six convocation credits. A voluntary worship service once a week was also provided by various religious groups on the campus.

With a view to the elimination of compulsory convocations the Student Senate voted to boycott handing in convocation cards. An editorial in the *Etownian* of October 17, 1969, expressed an opinion on the compulsory attendance at convocations:

The existing convocation program here at school certainly needs revision, and it is the opinion of many students that they would rather see something good four or five times a semester than what the program now includes for the required ten attendances.

On October 20, 1969, approximately fifty Elizabethtown College students joined forces as they gathered on the Student Center parking lot to burn their convocation cards. The protest was against the *compulsory* convocation programs. About one hundred and fifty students watched the card burning. The group burning their cards hoped for a voluntary attendance at convocation programs and for a higher quality of program so as to attract student interest.

Following the card burning episode a meeting of the Board of Trustees was called. After a three-hour session of serious consideration of the situation, A. G. Breidenstine, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, remarked:

Tonight's meeting was called not to make a decision on the matter. It was called to discuss the matter in an informal atmosphere.

The boycotting of handing in convocation cards and compulsory attendance at chapel services was left in the hands of the administration of the College.

The Student Senate, believing that one does not learn under compulsion and not knowing what further course to pursue, stated their case in the *Etownian* of October 20, 1969:

The Convocation Committee has no choice but to maintain the present regulations governing convocation attendance for the 1969 Fall Semester.

However, the Committee will recommend to the President of the College that attendance at convocations for the Spring Semester be voluntary.

### **Elizabethtown College Parents' Association**

This ancillary organization formed in 1968 at the suggestion of President Mays has definite plans for parents of students seeking their undergraduate education at Elizabethtown College to have a deep interest in the affairs of the College and to form an important part of the total constituency of the institution. The Association is concerned with the academic program, extra curricular activities, and the general welfare of the College now and in the years to come.

All parents of students enrolled in pursuit of a degree at Elizabethtown College are considered to be members of the Parents' Association and are encouraged to become active participants in its program.

The *Elizabethtown College Review* of October, 1968, states the opinion of Thomas G. Worley, the first President of the Association:

We are organized and on our way. I think we can be of real service to all parties by representing parents and putting forth the parental point of view of matters affecting us. I am particularly anxious to hear from parents of students of Elizabethtown College and to receive comments or suggestions on how the Association might serve them effectively.

The College Catalog of 1969-71 also sets forth the aims of the Association:

The Elizabethtown College Parents' Association is organized to provide a meaningful communication through which parents and the

College may exchange views, share concerns and work in close co-operation to advance the best interests of their common concern: the student.

The Parents' Council, which includes representatives of the freshman through senior classes, is the chief agency for liaison between the Parents' Association and the College. This Council has honored James L. M. Yeingst, Executive Assistant to President Mays, by giving him a plaque designating him as advisor to the Council. Thus Mr. Yeingst has become the administrative liaison between the Council and the College.

The ornate plaque is headed by the name of Mr. Yeingst and space is provided below his name for the officers of the Association. At present writing, the plaque contains the names of the following officers:

For 1968-69

Thomas G. Worley, *President*

Eugene F. Hess, *Vice President*

Mrs. Kerry Gingrich, *Secretary-Treasurer*

For 1969-70

Eugene F. Hess, *President*

James A. Killough, *Vice President*

James M. Martin, *Secretary-Treasurer*

### Military Recruiting on Campus

The Church of the Brethren, in revising its statement on war at the 1970 Annual Conference, resolved that recruitment on the six Brethren college campuses was inconsistent with the policy of the Church. Because of such recruitments in the past, individuals, local congregations, and the Atlantic Northeast District of the Church of the Brethren voiced their concern to the Administration of the College regarding recruiting on the campus for military service.

In December, 1970, the Elizabethtown College Community Congress, the campus government involving students, the Faculty and the Administration, voted that

the College should cooperate with the policy of the Church of the Brethren relating to alternative service. . . .

representatives of the various military services, upon their request, shall be permitted to present professional information as sought by students. Enlistment shall not be permitted on the campus.

The Board of Trustees on January 16, 1971, essentially affirmed the position adopted in December by the Community Congress:

Elizabethtown College shall welcome qualified persons to dialogue with members of the campus community on all issues of war and peace.

Representatives of the various military services, upon their request, shall be permitted to present professional information as sought by students.

Enlistment shall not be permitted on the campus.

The College shall continue to encourage programs relating to alternative service, recruitment for the ministry, volunteer service and similar programs.

The College for years had permitted recruiters to visit the campus, but beginning in 1971 military personnel were limited to the explanation of their programs and to answering questions in the Office of Placement Services.

### **Industrial Relations Institute**

As a means of implementing the EPIC study in the business area an Industrial Relations Institute was formed in June, 1968, under the direction of Aladar F. Kish, Associate Professor of Business Administration. At present four basic programs are offered:

1. Supervisors' Seminar—for first-line supervisors
2. Management Simulation Seminar—for middle management
3. In-Plant Management Development—for supervisors and middle management
4. Motivation of the Disadvantaged Employee

The aim of the Institute is concisely stated in the *Elizabethtown College Review* of April, 1969:

As a means of expressing a direct interest in the affairs of the area it serves, the College has begun to provide educational programs that are of direct benefit to businesses and industries in the primary service area.

The *Supervisors' Sessions* are offered four times a year. Past enrollments represent businesses and industries in the Lancaster, York, and Lebanon areas.

The *Management Simulation Seminar* aims at training middle management. The purpose as stated in the *Elizabethtown College Review* of April 1969, is to study and discuss the relationships between the field of economics and business management; to engage in a management simulation exercise; and to analyze the results of the simulation and determine the factors contributing to the success of decisions made. The Seminar emphasizes managerial economics, managerial accounting, and decision-making.

#### *The In-Plant Management Development*

These programs are designed to meet the needs of the firm in which the program is to be conducted. They are scheduled at the convenience of the business or industry involved in the program. Participants in the program have an opportunity to develop efficiency in supervisory and management skills.

#### *Motivation of Disadvantaged Employees*

This is an eight-week seminar for supervisors of socially disadvantaged employees. In a news release of January 30, 1970, Mr. Kish describes the program as

an intensive basic training to help supervisors of socially disadvantaged employees to train, teach, supervise, stimulate and motivate these individuals on the job so that they will learn and develop effectively. The course is geared to the level of the supervisors.

Up to January, 1971, more than 750 persons representing 150 companies have participated in the program.

#### **Elizabethtown College Evening Session**

In 1970 Elizabethtown College began to offer undergraduate instruction in evening classes. The purpose was to provide the mature, working adult an opportunity to continue and complete his formal education. A wide range of credit courses representative of several disciplines, including the humanities and social sciences are listed in the offerings. There is also an emphasis on studies in the field of accounting and business administration. Students are enabled to com-

plete studies for a degree in business administration, but these students need not be enrolled in a formal degree program to participate in these evening classes.

President Mays, in a recent news release, said:

The nature of our society today gives adults more free time to become engaged in furthering their formal education. This program of evening studies is an attempt on our part to provide an opportunity for adults to pursue courses of interest to them, either as part of a formal degree program or for the satisfaction of a particular interest. We have reason to believe that business and industrial employees in our area are interested in this kind of educational opportunity.

The courses generally carry three hours of credit and the same academic policies governing the regular program of the College apply to the Evening Session. Students who have had non-traditional learning experiences may be granted credit through examinations of the testing program of the College. Students who have completed an approved and accredited program of secondary education make take the courses offered for credit. Students may matriculate formally in a degree program after completing fifteen credit hours of course work of sufficient quality point grade average.

Transfer grades and credits earned by students enrolled in off-campus programs approved by their major department are considered in the same manner as those credits and grades earned in regular classes.

The Faculty of the Evening Session are the regular full-time staff of Elizabethtown College or qualified part-time faculty duly screened and approved by the Chairmen of the respective departments and the Dean of the Faculty.

Regarding the nature of the academic program of the Evening Session, the 1970-71 *Evening Session Bulletin* states:

A student attending the Elizabethtown College Evening Session will find that the academic program is structured to help the individual attain a broad general understanding as well as a depth of knowledge in his chosen field. The broad general understanding is achieved through the General Education core program. The depth in knowledge is achieved through the major area of concentration.

The College offered a total of thirty courses in sixteen different disciplines in the spring semester of 1971.

## Growth in Music Department

During the years 1960-1970 the Music Department grew from eleven courses of instruction to forty-seven. The occupation of Rider Hall by the Department provided the necessary facilities for this phenomenal growth.

At the time of this writing the Department offered a course leading to the B.S. degree with a major in Music Education. The course prepares teachers of vocal and instrumental music for the elementary and secondary school levels in Pennsylvania. Another course leading to an A.B. degree in Music is based upon the theory of music, history of music, the literature of music, and performance.

For students with a major in Elementary Education, courses are offered in basic music theory, music history and literature, proficiency in piano, voice, ensemble performance, teaching techniques and materials applicable to the elementary school curriculum.

The Department is headed by Carl N. Shull who holds a doctorate from the Florida State University and teaches Organ and Music History. During the year 1969-70 he was on leave of absence in Austria on research in Children's Vocal Music. Other members of the staff in Music are Harvey L. Simmers, Otis D. Kitchen, Francis M. Marciniak, James A. McVoy, and John F. Harrison.

A Concert Choir conducted by Harry L. Simmers presents twenty concerts annually in the churches and schools of Pennsylvania.

The College Chorale also led by Harry L. Simmers is composed of selected voices from the Concert Choir. The members of the Chorale are vocally advanced students.

The Stage Band directed by Otis D. Kitchen is a touring band playing the best in swing and jazz with the big band sound. Programs include swing, pop tunes, ballads, and jazz, including old standards and current progressive jazz.

The Concert Band conducted by Francis M. Marciniak performs on at least four public occasions including the annual Winter and Spring Concerts, and an all-instrumental program.

During the school year outstanding recitals are given by professional musicians in Rider Hall in addition to numerous student recitals. Work shops in the field of Music are also conducted during the scholastic year.

In September, 1968, the Stage Band was the only performing



*College Stage Band*

group from Pennsylvania to receive an official invitation to appear at the Hemis-Fair in San Antonio, Texas. The Band made three appearances at the Fair and were loudly applauded with some in the audience rising in a standing ovation. As the theme of the week was Mexican, the Band featured Latin numbers.

### Soccer Champions

Elizabethtown College maintains that the accomplishment of a goal in life is dependent not only on a sound mind but also on a sound body. Hence a comprehensive fee for all students includes the use of the swimming pool, bowling alleys, gymnasium, tennis courts and recreation rooms. The intercollegiate sports program brings many skilled athletes to the College, but all students are encouraged to participate in the intramural activities without expending too much time and energy in these sports.

Since 1966 John M. Tulley, with a B. S. degree from East Stroudsburg State College and with a Master's degree from West Chester State College, has been the Director of Athletics at Elizabethtown College. After serving in the Navy from 1941 to 1945 he became a member of the faculty in the Governor Mifflin School System near Reading, Pennsylvania, teaching courses in English and Science, and



*Soccer Champion Squad*

coaching athletic teams. During his term of service at Elizabethtown College he has developed a well co-ordinated program of physical education.

Possibly the most outstanding record in intercollegiate sports has been made in soccer games. Since the Board of Trustees, who represent the owners of the College, have been disinclined to permit the sport of football on the campus of the College, soccer was introduced and has become a satisfactory substitute for football.

This sport is coached by Owen L. Wright, a graduate of Bridgewater College in Virginia. He was also graduated from the University of Illinois with a Master's degree in Physical Education. He has pursued graduate work in Central Washington State University and in the University of Alaska and is now nearing completion of a program leading to the degree Doctor in Physical Education at the University of Oregon.

During the past decade, 1959 to 1969, the Elizabethtown College Soccer Team won the NCAA Middle Atlantic Conference Championship in 1959 and the NAIA Co-Championship in 1960 both under the coaching of Ira R. Herr. Then for six consecutive years, from 1962 to 1967, under the direction of Owen L. Wright the Elizabethtown College Soccer Team won the Middle Atlantic Conference Championship and in 1967 and in 1969 the NCAA Atlantic

Coast Regional Championship as well as the NCAA Atlantic Coast Regional Co-Championship in 1966. In the year 1970-1971 the College played eighteen games—winning 12, losing 5, and tying 1.

Elizabethtown College participates in the following intercollegiate contests:

Soccer coached by Owen L. Wright  
Basketball coached by Robert B. Garrett  
Baseball coached by Owen L. Wright  
Tennis coached by Robert B. Garrett  
Wrestling coached by D. Kenneth Ober  
Golf coached by John M. Tulley and Robert E. Ziegler  
Cross Country coached by D. Kenneth Ober  
Swimming coached by John M. Tulley  
Women's Basketball coached by Yvonne Kauffman  
Women's Swimming coached by Constance Hollinger  
Women's Tennis coached by Yvonne Kauffman  
Field Hockey coached by Yvonne Kauffman

### J. W. Kettering Testimonial Dinner

As a tribute to J. W. Kettering who was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1936 to 1968, Secretary of the Board from 1943 to 1954, Chairman of the Board from 1954 to 1968, and an Honorary Trustee of the College since January, 1969, a testimonial dinner in his honor was held at the Lebanon Treadway Inn on April 17, 1969. Invited guests were the members of the Board of Trustees, the chief College administrative officers, and members of the Kettering family. President Mays served as toastmaster for the occasion.

A. G. Breidenstine, the newly elected Chairman of the Board, in his remarks at the dinner, emphasized the devotion and leadership given by Mr. Kettering during his chairmanship of the Board. He also remarked that the College experienced its most significant growth during his tenure of office.

When called upon for a response, Mr. Kettering voiced his conception of the place of the Christian college in the spectrum of higher education. The *Elizabethtown College Review* for May, 1969, records a portion of his remarks:

The founders of Elizabethtown College were men who believed in an education. But they held a strong conviction that without a simulta-

neous promotion of spiritual interests, an education can become a danger to society and a liability to an individual.

Those presently charged with administering the College need all the wisdom and support they can get. Into their keeping has been placed a College that is respected for its philosophy and purpose . . . receptive to new academic techniques . . . whose graduates have been prepared to serve mankind . . . a College fiscally sound and envied for good housekeeping.

Mr. Kettering was graduated from Elizabethtown College with the B. S. degree in Economics in 1923. He was elected to be Head of the Commercial Department and Treasurer of Blue Ridge College, New Windsor, Maryland. But desiring to become more intimately associated with industrial relations ,he joined the firm Main and Company, now Main, Lafrentz and Company, certified public accountants. In 1943 he became a resident partner in the firm and a general partner in 1955. After a successful career in this field, he retired from the firm in 1966.

In 1930 Mr. Kettering became a certified public accountant; in 1958 he received the honorary degree Doctor of Commercial Science from Elizabethtown College. Because of his proficiency in the field of accounting Governor William Scranton appointed him to the State Board of Law Examiners in 1964. Governor Raymond Shafer re-appointed him for a second four-year term.

Mr. Kettering is a man of varied interests. He has traveled in more than fifty foreign countries in addition to his travels in the United States. He is also active in the work of the Church of the Brethren, having served a five-year term on the General Brotherhood Board and in leadership positions at the local, district, and national level.

He is a Rotarian, a former director of the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce, and a former member of the Elizabethtown Borough Council.

### Retirement of Charles S. and Bessie D. Apgar

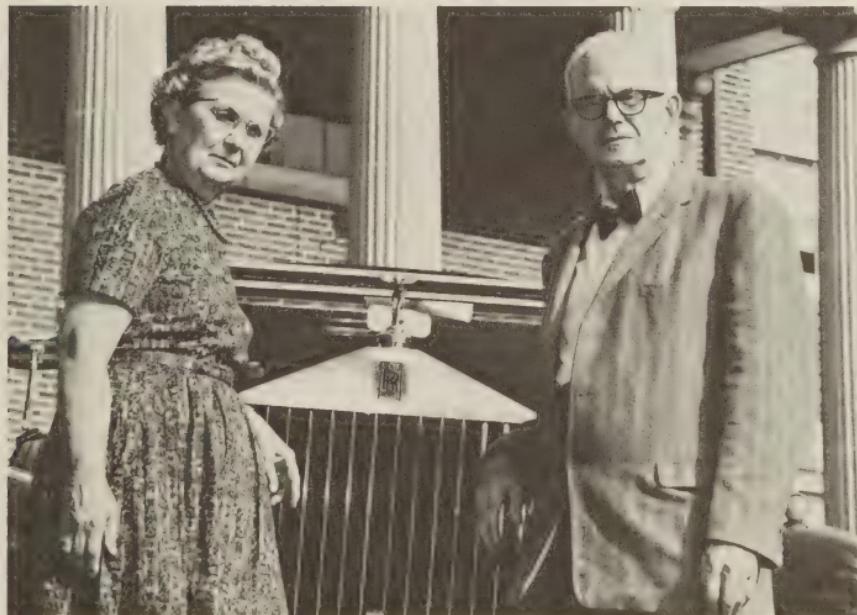
Over a period of twenty-one years Charles S. and Bessie D. Apgar guided the development of the curriculum of Elizabethtown College in the Department of Biology. The College was recognized by medical schools and higher institutions of learning for the academic

rating of its students in this field of study. An editorial of the *Etowanian* of January 20, 1967, stated:

The Apgars have been much more than just teachers. Their devotion has been exemplary; their range of interests astounding.

Charles S. Apgar received the B. S. degree, the M. S. degree, and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He was granted a Fellowship at the Wistar Institute of Anatomy and Biology, served as a Research Assistant with the Pennsylvania Game Commission in 1932, filled the position of Instructor in Anatomy in the Cornell University School of Medicine in 1936, and elected as Associate Professor of Biology at Elizabethtown College in 1945 and as a full Professor in 1947.

Bessie D. Apgar received an A. B. degree from Muskingum College, an M. S. degree from the University of Pittsburgh, and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She taught at Muskin-



CHARLES S. and BESSIE D. APGAR  
*Directors of Department of Biology, 1945-1967*

gum College and at the University of Pittsburgh, and became a full-time Professor of Biology at Elizabethtown College in 1959.

Both of the Apgars were members of the American Association of Anatomists, the Florida Anthropological Association, the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Their retirement became effective on August 31, 1967. In the light of their outstanding contribution to the academic rating of Elizabethtown College and their influence on the campus life of the College, a special breakfast was held in their honor on December 10, 1966.

Rudyard Kipling penned the following lines that exemplify the ideals of the Apgars:

No one shall work for money, and no one shall work for fame,  
But each for the joy of the working and each in his own star.

The editorial of the *Etownian* of January 20, 1967, further commends the service of the Apgars to Elizabethtown College:

Their active lives and zest for living have been an inspiration to both students and faculty members. . . . The College will not be the same without the Apgars, but we wish them happiness as they leave Elizabethtown to make their home in Florida.

President Mays also commended the Apgars for their distinguished service to the College:

Both Apgars enjoyed the respect of the students and their colleagues because of their scholarship and their devotion to teaching they exhibited over the years.

The quality of our Biology Department's offerings is a direct result of the leadership they displayed in developing the instructional program.

The Apgars had a long list of time-consuming hobbies in addition to a full-time instructional program. Their hobbies included oil painting, etching, photography, classic automobiles, scuba diving, sculpturing, boating, archaeology, anthropology, and traveling.

As a final mark of their esteem for the College they gave their residence in Green Acres to the College in exchange for a life annuity. They also presented a picture of the crucifixion of Christ painted by Matthias Gruenenwald, together with a brochure in color of a series of religious paintings by the same artist.



VERA R. HACKMAN  
Dean of Women and Professor  
of English, 1944-1968  
Professor of English, 1968-

### Retirement of Vera R. Hackman, Dean of Women

The office of Dean of Women affords an opportunity for an intimate relationship with the women enrolled at the College. The responsibilities of this position rested upon Vera R. Hackman over a period of twenty-four years during which period thousands of students profited by her desire to make Elizabethtown College year by year a better institution for women students.

Miss Hackman is a native of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. She taught in the public schools of the Commonwealth as teacher in the Colerain High School, at which place she was Principal for several years and a teacher of English, history, and Latin. She also served as an instructor in the Pine Mountain Settlement School in Harlan County, Kentucky, for two years. Following this experience she taught in the high schools of Lykens Valley and Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

Elizabethtown College called her to be a teacher of history and English in 1944 and for a period of twenty-four years she not only taught but also served as Dean of Women. During this time of service she was the first to offer a course in Journalism at the College, and since 1968 she has been a full-time Professor in the English Department.

Miss Hackman received the A. B. degree from Elizabethtown College in 1925; the M. A. degree from Columbia University in 1936, and also the Teachers' College Professional Diploma in 1950.

In addition to her duties as a teacher and Dean of Women she was the adviser of the Sock and Buskin, the *Etownian* and *Conestogean* staffs, and the Women's Honor Society. It was also her responsibility to administer the women's Honor House program.

Miss Hackman is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of Women Deans, the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors, the American Association of University Professors, the American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma Society, and the Modern Language Association. In local circles she is active in the program of the Business and Professional Women.

At present writing she carries a full program in the English Department. In delineating the influence of Miss Hackman, the *Elizabethtown College Bulletin* of June, 1968, remarks:

During her twenty-four years in the post of Dean of Women Miss Hackman has dedicated herself to making Elizabethtown College a better place.

Miss Hackman will retire as Dean, but she will not sever her strong ties with the College. She will become a full-time member of the English faculty. She will also retain the title Dean of Women Emerita, an honor bestowed on her by the Board of Trustees at its annual spring meeting.

As an adjunct to her student related activities, numerous social and special events, most notably May Day, were developed.

Miss Hackman was honored by the women students of the College at a dinner on February 27, 1968, held in the Myer Dining Hall to commemorate her twenty-four years of service as Dean of Women. Presiding over the surprise affair was Karen Lee Nuber, President of students in the Myer Residence for Women. The Freshmen Women's Honor Society presented her with a corsage and Donna Powers, President of the Royer Residence for Women, presented her with a birthday cake. R. W. Schlosser, guest speaker, commented on Miss Hackman's splendid service to the institution.

At the close of the occasion Joanne Ginder, President of Schlosser Residence for Women, presented Miss Hackman with a pewter tea service.

**Retirement of R. W. Schlosser**

R. W. Schlosser, President-Emeritus of Elizabethtown College since 1962, in a letter to President Mays on May 2, 1970, stated:

Not because of lack of enthusiasm in teaching, but because of additional duties devolving upon me in our home and because of a deficiency in hearing that compels me to use the lecture method, which is contrary to my method of presenting materials to my classes, I feel that I should retire from my long term of service as a member of the regular College Faculty, a position I filled beginning in the fall of 1907....

I should appreciate teaching a course in Shakespeare during the coming Summer Session. These classes are small and I can use the discussion method without any interference with my hearing deficiency....

The year 1969-70 was a busy year, but it was a joy to work under your direction on the *History of Elizabethtown College*.

After attending three spring sessions of the College in 1905, 1906 and 1907, President Schlosser taught high school subjects at the College over a period of four years, and after receiving an A. B. degree from Ursinus College he taught courses in English and modern languages from 1911 to 1918, with the exception of a leave of absence for graduate study and a year and a half on the field soliciting funds to enable the College to become certified by the State Department of Education to grant degrees. He was Vice President of the College and Professor of English from 1918 to 1921, Dean of the College from 1922 to 1927, and President of the College from January 1, 1928, to 1941, with the exception of the year 1929-30 spent in additional graduate study at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary. A detailed account of his collegiate and university studies is found in Chapter VI of this *History of Elizabethtown College*.

In addition to his teaching at Elizabethtown College he filled the position of Professor of English six summer sessions at Juniata College.

President Schlosser has found the deepest satisfactions in his teaching career to be the sharing of his philosophy of life as voiced by Robert Browning's lines:

A man's reach should exceed his grasp. . . .  
What I aspired to be and was not comforts me.

The guidelines for Christian character as found in the Sermon on the Mount were the touchstones in his interpretation of issues treated by great writers. No greater reward can come to a teacher than his acquaintance with young people who have left College and are now leaders in the various vocations and professions. By discussions in class he learned much in keeping himself open to the ideas of youth.

Another source of great satisfaction to President Schlosser has been the sharing of his time in the work of the Church. He has served as a part-time pastor of two churches; a moderator of a local church; an evangelist who has held 225 revivals in churches in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Tennessee, West Virginia, New York, Ohio and Indiana over a period of over fifty-five years; a Bible lecturer; a moderator of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; a member of the Board of Directors of Bethany Biblical Seminary; a member of the General Brotherhood Board of the Church of the Brethren, and Moderator of the General Conference of the Church of the Brethren in 1952.

Over a period of fifty years he has been a member of the Advisory Board of the Elizabethtown Y. M. C. A. and a member of Rotary, which organization he served as District Governor in 1947-48.

His pen has also been active. He has contributed articles to *Messenger*, the denominational church paper; in 1932 he completed a translation of the *Court Scene* in the *Merchant of Venice* in the Pennsylvania German dialect; in 1966 he completed a treatise on *Studies in Shakespeare*; and during the years 1970 and 1971 he wrote the *History of Elizabethtown College* tracing the growth of the College from 1899 to 1970. He is not likely to lay down his pen after the publication of the *History of Elizabethtown College*.

*In Memoriam*  
*Elmer L. Esbenshade, 1881-1967*

Every college needs friends like Elmer L. Esbenshade who shared his resources during his lifetime with a number of significant charities. He was born near Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on August 27, 1881,

and was a descendant of a German farmer who settled in Paradise, Lancaster County, and invested his funds in rich farmland. As a boy he attended the Mennonite Church and spent eight years in a one-room rural school. He inherited 212 acres of farmland and prospered as a farmer who kept pace with modern methods of crop rotation and modern farm implements. He was proud of his heritage and always kept his property clean, neat, and orderly—words which depict his life in general. On his land he erected buildings, leased properties, and even operated an airport. With the monies he realized largely from sites for industries, he underwrote numerous philanthropic enterprises. He was a generous supporter of the American Bible Society and the Board of Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States. The following educational institutions are the recipients of his philanthropy: Moody Bible Institute, Princeton Theological Seminary, Wheaton College, Juniata College, Messiah College, Franklin and Marshall College, Eastern Mennonite College, and Elizabethtown College.

The *Campus Call* of Elizabethtown College, in the August, 1967, issue, states:

Mr. Esbenshade's interest in Elizabethtown College includes gifts and annuities totalling approximately \$265,000. More specifically he provided \$185,000 in annuities, some at reduced rates of interest. On occasion he endorsed the interest checks and returned them to the College. He contributed more than \$25,000 in cash gifts.

He donated some \$50,000 worth of bonds to the College for the establishment of the Elmer L. and Frances E. Esbenshade Scholarship Aid Fund, which is providing assistance for deserving students from Lancaster County.

He served as a Co-Chairman of the Pathway to Fulfillment program during the presidency of Roy E. McAuley and was an Honorary member of the Board of Trustees of Elizabethtown College.

Because of his deep concern for Christian education as seen in his generous gifts to the College and in his confidence in young people, the Board of Trustees honored him by having him turn the first spadeful of earth on September 9, 1965, and by naming the new classroom building the Esbenshade Classroom Building. The dedication ceremony held on May 13, 1967, occurred only two months after his death.

A plaque in the building states:

*Esbenshade Classroom Building*  
ELMER L. ESBENSHADE  
has generously given for the  
construction of this classroom  
building in memory of his wife  
FRANCES E. ESBENSHADE  
and their interest in Youth  
and Christian Higher Education

He passed away unexpectedly while seated at his desk on March 9, 1967.

For the Dedicatory Ceremony in connection with the Esbenshade Classroom Building he had prepared the following statement:

My wife, Frances, and I believe that every normal youth, regardless of race, creed, or color, ought to prepare themselves for life by securing an education that will qualify them for some worthwhile vocation.

Our communities and the world community at large are in need of individuals who will apply their God-given abilities, and in so doing will influence not only their own destiny, but also serve the interests and welfare of human kind.

We firmly believe in the American way of life, its goals and aspirations for excellence and reliability, and the development of enterprising individuals who through knowledge and experience will cherish freedom, morality, and Christian character such as Elizabethtown College fosters.

As an individual he possessed a friendly, personal warmth marked by candor, mental alertness and business acumen. His desire to help worthy social endeavors remained firm and deeply imbedded in his personality.

## AN UNFINISHED TASK

This *History of Elizabethtown College* begins with the preliminary meetings dealing with the founding of the College in 1899 and ends approximately with the year 1970. History is being made constantly and consequently the account of the administration of President Mays is an unfinished story.

The Wenger Family Project in the transformation of Fairview Hall into a Faculty Office Building; the erection of the Social Sciences Building for the construction of which contracts were awarded in July 1971; the election of Wayne L. Miller as Vice President of the College; the calling of C. Dean Mitchell to the deanship of the College; changes in the Faculty of the College; the implementation of the EPIC program; and other significant items affecting the future program of the College are left for a future historian.



# Appendix

## *Chairmen of Board of Trustees*

Jesse C. Ziegler, 1900-1918, Royersford, Pa.  
Samuel H. Hertzler, 1918-1936, Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Henry K. Ober, 1936-1939, Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Rufus P. Bucher, 1939-1954, Mechanic Grove, Pa.  
Joseph W. Kettering, 1954-1968, Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Aaron G. Breidenstine, 1970- , Lancaster, Pa.

## *College Principals and Presidents*

I. N. H. Beahm, Principal, 1900-1901  
G. N. Falkenstein, Principal, 1901-1902  
D. C. Reber, Acting Principal, 1902-1903  
D. C. Reber, Principal, 1903-1904  
I. N. H. Beahm, President, 1904-1908  
D. C. Reber, President, 1908-1918  
H. K. Ober, President, 1918-1921  
J. G. Meyer, President, 1921-1924  
H. K. Ober, President, 1924-January 1, 1928  
R. W. Schlosser, President, January 1, 1928-1928-1929  
H. H. Nye, President, 1929-1930  
R. W. Schlosser, President, 1930-1941  
A. C. Baugher, President, 1941-1961  
Roy E. McAuley, President, 1961-1966  
Morley J. Mays, President, 1966-

*Deans of Instruction*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year Appointed</i>
R. W. Schlosser	1922
A. C. Baugher	1928
Henry G. Bucher	1941
Roy E. McAuley	1957
Jacob Hershman	1961
Oscar F. Stambaugh, Acting Dean	1966
Wayne L. Miller	1967

*Treasurers of the College*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Year Appointed</i>
H. K. Ober	1905
J. Z. Herr	1910, 1921
I. W. Taylor	1919
K. Ezra Bucher	1946
Earl H. Kurtz	1951
Wilbur Weaver, Assistant Treasurer	1958

*College Enrollment*

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Total</i>
1941-42 .....	152	1956-57 .....	534
1942-43 .....	141	1957-58 .....	590
1943-44 .....	107	1958-59 .....	633
1944-45 .....	119	1959-60 .....	677
1945-46 .....	177	1960-61 .....	754
1946-47 .....	330	1961-62 .....	800
1947-48 .....	359	1962-63 .....	898
1948-49 .....	377	1963-64 .....	1030
1949-50 .....	376	1964-65 .....	1177
1950-51 .....	301	1965-66 .....	1227
1951-52 .....	254	1966-67 .....	1389
1952-53 .....	272	1967-68 .....	1442
1953-54 .....	343	1968-69 .....	1467
1954-55 .....	419	1969-70 .....	1520
1955-56 .....	464		

*Courses Offered*

<i>Courses</i>	1941-42	1951-52	1960-61	1969-70
Art	0	0	0	9
Bible	7	11	5	6
Biology	9	10	11	16
Business Education	29	32	40	50
Chemistry	4	7	11	17
Economics	0	0	0	12
Education	21	24	29	11
English	10	15	24	33
History	7	11	17	27
Languages	20	21	14	61
Mathematics	9	13	15	23
Music	18	16	11	47
Philosophy and Religion	5	7	14	33
Physical Education	4	4	4	15
Physics	2	2	10	19
Sociology	8	8	9	13
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Total	153	181	214	392

*Dedication of College Buildings*

- Alpha Hall, March 4, 1901  
 Rider Hall, March 4, 1906  
 Fairview Apartments, June 7, 1921  
 Gibble Science Hall, May 26, 1928  
 Student Alumni-Gymnasium, May 25, 1929  
 Zug Memorial Library, October 20, 1950  
 West Wing of Gibble Science Hall, September 24, 1958  
 Myer Hall, May 11, 1957  
 Ober Hall, October 15, 1960  
 Royer Hall, October 20, 1962  
 Baugher Student Center, November 18, 1962  
 Addition to Zug Memorial Library, October 15, 1965  
 Brinser Residence for Men, October 16, 1965  
 Schlosser Residence for Women, October 22, 1966  
 Esbenshade Hall, May 13, 1967  
 Alumni Physical Education Center, January 7, 1970  
 Living Learning Center  
 Social Sciences Building

*Honorary Degrees Conferred*

1948—*Andrew W. Cordier*, LL.D.

Executive Assistant to the Secretary General of U.N.

1949—*George N. Falkenstein*, D.D.

Second Principal, Elizabethtown College

*W. C. Freeman*, LL.D.

Former Pennsylvania Senator

*George L. Detwiler*, D.D.

Minister, Evangelist, Counselor

*Jesse D. Reber*, D.D.

Executive Secretary, Pennsylvania Council of Churches

*James H. Duff*, LL.D.

Ex-Governor of Pennsylvania

1950—*Harry H. Nye*, D.D.

Former President of Elizabethtown College and

Professor of History, Juniata College

*B. Volney Ludwick*, Sc.D.

Physician, Radiologist, Hahnemann Medical College

1951—*Robert B. Brigham*, Sc.D.

Surgeon, Boston Hospital

*John G. Kuhns*, Sc.D.

Chief Surgeon, Boston Hospital

*C. L. Martin*, Litt.D.

Head, English Department, McCaskey High School, Lancaster, Pa.

*Galen S. Young*, Sc.D.

Physician, Surgeon, Philadelphia College of Osteopathy

*Harry C. Moyer*, D.Ed.

Superintendent, Lebanon County Schools

*Carl W. Zeigler*, D.D.

Professor of Bible, Elizabethtown College

*Harol H. Scanlin*, D.D.

Minister, Counselor, Evangelical Congregational Church

1952—*Clifford J. Backstrand*, LL.D.

President, Armstrong Cork Company

*Irwin S. Hoffer*, LL.D.

Professor of Statistics, Temple University

*Althea Kratz Hottel*, LL.D.

Dean of Women, University of Pennsylvania

1953—*John D. Trimmer*, Sc.D.

Professor of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

*Clarence Schock*, L.H.D.

Benefactor, Public Education

*Milton S. Eisenhower*, LL.D.

President, Johns Hopkins University

1954—*Theodore A. Distler*, Litt.D.

Ex-President, Franklin and Marshall College and

Executive Director, Association of American Colleges

*I. Wayne Keller*, D.C.S.

Comptroller, Armstrong Cork Company

*U. A. Whitaker*, Sc.D.

President, Aircraft Marine Products

*Walter S. Hertzog*, Litt.D.

Radio, Motion Picture Producer

1955—*Ralph W. Sockman*, L.H.D.

Professor, Union Theological Seminary and

Minister, Christ Church, New York City

*Charles F. Jenkins*, D.D.

Minister, Columbus, Ohio

*Nevin H. Zuck*, D.D.

Minister, Counselor, Elizabethtown, Pa.

1956—*J. Herbert Miller*, D.D.

Minister, Counselor, Hershey, Pa.

*Jay H. Eshelman*, Sc.D.

Lecturer, Dental School, Temple University

*Ernest O. Melby*, Ped.D.

Former Dean, New York University

*George M. Leader*, LL.D.

Former Governor of Pennsylvania

1957—*Harold R. Medina*, LL.D.

U.S. District Judge

*John A. Robinson*, D.D.

Minister, Evangelist

*Daniel C. Reber*, L.H.D.

Past President, Elizabethtown College

*John F. Steinman*, LL.D.

Newspaper Publisher

- Millard E. Gladfelter*, Litt.D.  
Provost, Temple University
- Ramon Somavia*, L.H.D.  
Agricultural Experimentalist
- Edwin McArthur*, Mus.D.  
Conductor, Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra
- 1958—*Joseph W. Kettering*, D.C.S.  
Certified Public Accountant, Main and Company
- Horace E. Raffensperger*, Ped.D.  
President, Continental Press
- M. Richard Shaull*, D.D.  
Dean, Presbyterian Seminary, Brazil
- David E. Brinser*, Ped.D.  
Teacher, Pennsylvania Public Schools
- 1959—*Walter W. Eshelman*, Ped.D.  
President, National Education Association
- M. Guy West*, D.D.  
Minister, Counselor
- Arthur S. Fleming*, L.H.D.  
U.S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare
- Gaylord P. Harnwell*, Ped.D.  
President, University of Pennsylvania
- Stanton Belfour*, D.C.S.  
Secretary, Pittcairn-Crabbe Foundation
- 1960—*Morris L. Shafer*, L.H.D.  
Dean, Dickson School of Law
- Shirley W. Steinman*, Litt.D.  
Author, Lancaster
- Ezra Taft Benson*, LL.D.  
U.S. Secretary of Agriculture
- John L. Tivney*, D.C.S.  
President, Harrisburg Center for Higher Education
- John Rimumau*  
President, Eastern Mennonite College
- 1961—*Samuel F. Hinkle*, Sc.D.  
President, Hershey Chocolate Corporation
- J. Alfred Hamme*, D.F.A.  
Architect, York, Pa.
- Desmond W. Bittinger*, Litt.D.  
President, McPherson College

1962—*Harry Gerlach*, Sc.D.

Superintendent, Lancaster County Public Schools

*Norman Baugher*, Litt.D.

General Secretary, Brotherhood Board of the Church of the Brethren

1963—*M. R. Zigler*, L.H.D.

European Representative of the Church of the Brethren

1964—*Claire McCullough*, L.H.D.

Manager, WGAL AM-FM-TV, Lancaster, Pa.

*David Porter*, Sc.D.

Assistant Superintendent of Harrisburg Public Schools

1965—*Edward L. Keller*, Sc.D.

Vice President for Public Affairs, Pennsylvania State University

*J. Jack Melhorn*, LL.D.

President, McPherson College, Kansas

1966—*Aaron G. Breidenstine*, Litt.D.

Acting Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction in Pennsylvania

*Clyde Shallenberger*, D.D.

Director of Chaplaincy Service of Johns Hopkins University Hospital

*Albert Kratzer*, D.D.

Superintendent of Evangelical Congregational Home for the Aged, Myerstown, Pa.

1968—*Dorothy D. Bullock*, Mus.D.

Chairman, Presidents' Council, Penna. Federation of Music Clubs, Inc.

*Vera Micheles Dean*, L.H.D.

Professor of International Development, New York University

*Warren K. Myers*, LL.D.

President, Myers, Macomber & Faber, Inc.

1969—*Franklin H. Williams*, LL.D.

Director, Urban Center, Columbia University

*Mark C. Ebersole*, LL.D.

Dean of the Graduate School, Temple University

## REGIONAL CHAPTERS

*Elizabethtown College Alumni Association*

Altoona-State College .....	Organized May 18, 1963
Baltimore .....	Organized May 13, 1960
Boston .....	unavailable
California .....	Organized March 14, 1965
Cumberland Valley .....	Organized March 17, 1934
Eastern Shore .....	Organized March 19, 1963
Florida .....	Organized April 27, 1963
Harrisburg .....	Organized February 20, 1934
Johnstown-Pittsburgh .....	Organized April 20, 1963
Juniata Valley .....	Organized March 3, 1934
Lancaster .....	Organized November 12, 1927
Lebanon .....	Organized October 14, 1928
Lehigh Valley .....	Organized November 13, 1962
New York City .....	Organized May 10, 1934
Ohio Valley .....	Organized September 26, 1964
North Jersey .....	Organized October 27, 1962
South Jersey .....	Organized November 3, 1962
Philadelphia .....	Organized May 9, 1929
Schuylkill Valley .....	Organized March 22, 1935
Washington, D. C. ....	Organized December 8, 1962
West Branch Susquehanna .....	Organized October 17, 1964
York .....	Organized November 27, 1928

*Total Contributed Income—All Sources*

<i>Alumni</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Business and Industry</i>	<i>Foundations</i>	<i>Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
1958-59	\$ 8,233.00	\$ 46,807.00	\$ 17,517.00	\$ 8,758.96	\$ 169,453.24
1959-60	12,814.49	47,408.00	20,517.00	11,970.76	132,041.04
1960-61	8,352.32	52,890.00	16,117.00	13,207.71	154,777.32
1961-62	17,634.37	63,798.50	24,225.93	13,740.12	201,349.95
1962-63	16,449.70	63,209.38	22,376.50	37,486.31	147,962.25
1963-64	2,775.26	58,797.00	9,507.00	21,066.33	113,220.29
1964-65					191,191.45
1965-66	62,047.25	122,274.91	38,359.00	49,646.30	5,746.53
1966-67	29,925.77	111,266.26	40,821.25	53,523.41	17,482.29
1967-68	21,735.06	82,433.31	34,440.75	41,718.76	131,960.97
1968-69	22,510.59	79,771.45	35,212.40	39,167.37	257,930.16
1969-70	28,361.62	76,862.79	52,898.75	81,747.13	273,031.75
					\$2,940,392.14



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